# West Asheville Newspaper Articles

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# West Asheville Newspaper File Chronology
## 1910 – 1919

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| Jan. 6, 1910 | Buying rights of way for trolley line ext. |
| Jan. 18, 1910 | Mr. Logan returns with smiling face |
| Jan. 19, 1910 | Bingham School has record attendance |
| Jan. 25, 1910 | W.E. Logan makes statement in reply to queries |
| Jan. 26, 1910 | Rollins and Logan will be appointed |
| | Gatling gun is fired again & Mr. Logan gets humorous |
| Jan. 27, 1910 | Will begin work on high bridge soon |
| | "The fight for US Marshalship" political cartoon |
| Jan. 30, 1910 | Say that Asheville should back Logan |
| Feb. 9, 1910 | Franchise given by the aldermen |
| | Bridge bonds sold to Toledo buyers |
| Feb. 17, 1910 | Bridge builders reach Asheville |
| Feb. 27, 1910 | Logan will be named Marshal |
| | Girl attacked by monster mastiff |
| Mar. 9, 1910 | Mr. Logan cinches U.S. Marshalship |
| Mar. 19, 1910 | Working hard on the new concrete bridge |
| Mar. 26, 1910 | Mr. Logan takes his office April 1st |
| April 3, 1910 | New US Marshal sworn in |
| April 9, 1910 | Serious runaway in West Asheville |
| July 3, 1910 | Southern's bridge will soon be ready |
| July 19, 1910 | New buildings for the county schools |
| Aug. 2, 1910 | County schools opened yesterday |
| Aug. 13, 1910 | New bridge across French Broad open |
| Aug. 19, 1910 | County schools prepare for term |
| Sept. 1, 1910 | Bridges yield to force of water |
| | To celebrate Labor Day in West Asheville |
| Sept. 5, 1910 | West Asheville is going to celebrate |
| | Colored physicians working for race |
| Sept. 6, 1910 | West Asheville had neighborhood picnic |
| | All Asheville is celebrating |
| Nov. 21,1910 | High bridge rapidly nearing completion |
| Dec. 12, 1910 | Dr. Winter opens Strawberry Hill |
| May 1911 | West A street car route photos |
| June 9, 1911 | Almost certainly Fair will be a go |
| June 27, 1911 | Health farm will soon be a reality |
| July 2, 1911 | Hearty support to movement for Fair |
| July 4, 1911 | WNC Fair Assoc. takes out charter |
| July 7, 1911 | Concert at Odd Fellows Hall |
| | WNC Fair will be held Oct. 24-27 |

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| July 24, 1911 | Hearty cooperation of farmers for Fair |
| Aug. 4, 1911 | W. Asheville water system almost done |
| | Expect many people at WNC Fair |
| Aug. 8, 1911 | WNC Fair—cartoon |
| Aug. 9, 1911 | Committee looks at Fair grounds |
| Aug. 14, 1911 | New water system to soon be in operation |
| Aug. 15, 1911 | New water system in operation soon |
| Aug. 20, 1911 | Auction sale of large lots—Jarrett Ave. |
| Aug. 23, 1911 | Early morning fire destroys Deaver Hall |
| Aug. 28, 1911 | Teachers selected for county schools |
| Aug. 31, 1911 | Prospects for Fair growing brighter |
| Sept. 6, 1911 | Opening of Bingham School |
| Sept. 16, 1911 | Special attraction secured for Fair |
| Sept. 17, 1911 | Prizes donated for Fair |
| Sept. 23, 1911 | WNC Fair advertisement |
| Sept. 25, 1911 | WNC Fair—cartoon |
| Oct. 1, 1911 | Street car schedule |
| Oct. 5, 1911 | WNC Fair—cartoon |
| Oct. 10, 1911 | Fair gates will be thrown open today |
| | WNC Fair—cartoon |
| Oct. 11, 1911 | WNC Fair exhibits beyond anticipations |
| Oct. 12, 1911 | Thrilling rescue of daring balloonist |
| | 6,000 persons entered Fair on opening day |
| Oct. 13, 1911 | 2nd day of Fair draws almost 8,000 persons |
| | Grand shooting exhibition at Fair |
| Oct. 14, 1911 | After unqualified success, WNC Fair ends tonight |
| Jan. 20, 1912 | Citizens of West Asheville confer |
| Mar. 24, 1912 | West Asheville Store is robbed |
| Mar. 26, 1912 | Charles McElrath loses more money |
| Mar. 28, 1912 | West Asheville school spring term closes |
| April 3, 1912 | J.M. McElrath & Son in receiver's hands |
| April 11, 1912 | Balm Grove Baraca Class at Odd Fellows Hall |
| April 24, 1912 | Teachers elected at West Asheville |
| April 30, 1912 | Oakdale Heights on Bingham School Road |
| | 35 lots at auction (advertisement) |
| June 16, 1912 | Asheville grocers who carry Daniel Webster Flour, |
| | including West A grocers |
| July 24, 1912 | City to begin license checks |
| July 25, 1912 | Beautiful house at Inanda torn down to improve |
| | Mr. Vanderbilt's view |
| Aug. 6, 1912 | German family leases West Asheville farm |
| Sept. 1, 1912 | Villa Heights advertisement |
| Sept. 3, 1912 | Auto damaged when hit by street car |
| Sept. 29, 1912 | The Asheville School |
| | Asheville Packing Co. |
| | The Bingham School for Boys |

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| Oct. 5, 1912 | Street car schedule |
| Oct. 9, 1912 | Marked success attends opening of WNC Fair |
| Oct. 20, 1912 | Auto Speedway will be built in West Asheville |
| Oct. 28, 1912 | Trolley accident in West Asheville |
| Nov. 1912 | Presidential election returns |
| Dec. 7, 1912 | Galax Park: 79 lots at auction (ad) |
| Dec. 22, 1912 | West Asheville merchant shoots man and wife |
| Dec. 23, 1912 | Hughes makes plea of self-defense |
| Oct. 11, 1913 | Act to incorporate the town of West Asheville |
| Sept. 5, 1913 | Athletic program is arranged for Fair |
| Sept. 6, 1913 | Balloon ascensions and auto features |
| Sept. 14, 1913 | Water Company is defendant to suit |
| Sept. 21, 1913 | Automobile races big Fair feature |
| Oct. 3, 1913 | WNC Fair ad |
| Oct. 4, 1913 | Helen Keller in Asheville |
| Oct. 6, 1913 | Greatest Fair in history of WNC |
| | WNC Fair ad |
| Oct. 7, 1913 | WNC Fair political cartoon |
| Oct. 11, 1913 | West Asheville to elect town officers |
| Oct. 18, 1913 | W. Asheville Women form organization |
| Oct. 28, 1913 | Working men named their candidates |
| Nov. 2, 1913 | Registration books opened yesterday |
| Nov. 7, 1913 | Good roads work in West Asheville |
| Nov. 10, 1913 | Over 300 voters registered in West A |
| Nov. 14, 1913 | Citizens of West A in whirlpool of politics |
| | Fred Fore is charged w/violation of white slave law |
| Nov. 16, 1913 | West A election political cartoon |
| Nov. 14, 1913 | Citizens of West A in whirlpool of politics |
| Nov. 18, 1913 | West A women form organization |
| | Workingmen hold their final rally |
| | Election of town officials today |
| | Fred Fore arrested by Federal officer |
| Nov. 19, 1913 | Citizens ticket successful in West A election |
| Nov. 23, 1913 | Officers will be sworn in Tuesday |
| May 13, 1914 | 4 witnesses examined at inquest—Hugill murder |
| July 8, 1914 | West Asheville fire destroys residence |
| July 29, 1914 | Brooks sentenced—Hugill murder |
| Sept. 26, 1914 | Hitching lot for farmers at Fair |
| Sept. 28, 1914 | WNC Fair ad |
| Sept. 29, 1914 | WNC Fair ad |
| Oct. 5, 1914 | Plans nearly complete for WNC Fair |
| Oct. 7, 1914 | RR man H.F. Lytle crushed by train at Old Fort |
| Oct. 10, 1914 | WNC Fair ad |
| Oct. 13, 1914 | WNC Fair opens this morning |
| | WNC Fair ad |
| | WNC Fair cartoon |

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| Oct. 14, 1914 | To establish bank in West Asheville |
| | Bingham football schedule for year |
| Oct. 16, 1914 | Noah knew what to expect (WNC Fair ad) |
| Oct. 18, 1914 | 4th annual WNC Fair comes to a close |
| Oct. 22, 1914 | Rebekahs to meet at West Asheville |
| Nov. 4, 1914 | Eliada Orphanage burns |
| Nov. 10, 1914 | West Asheville finishing work (water lines) |
| Nov. 11, 1914 | Faithful dog saves Emma family from death |
| Dec. 23, 1914 | Second reel and hose company is formed |
| Dec. 30, 1914 | Pretty little girl is Christmas gift |

## 1915 – 1919

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|---|---|
| Jan. 13, 1915 | West Asheville has received fire hose |
| Mar. 4, 1915 | Strawberry Hill Destroyed by Fire Last Night |
| April 2, 1915 | Program at Emma School |
| April 13, 1915 | Residence fire |
| May 12, 1915 | Hominy Rd. to be resurfaced |
| June 9, 1915 | Negro charged with stealing chickens |
| Aug. 15, 1915 | West Asheville residential properties auction (Reynolds tract) |
| Aug. 29, 1915 | Hayes sub-division in West A: lots for sale |
| Sept. 2, 1915 | West A community meeting to clean up school |
| Sept. 3, 1915 | Rotarians to visit West A farm |
| | Buy land! West end of concrete bridge (West A bridge) |
| Sept. 13, 1915 | No Fair will held during coming Fall |
| | Work begins at West Asheville school |
| Sept. 15, 1915 | Telephone Company to relocate lines |
| Sept. 24, 1915 | Political pot boils in West Asheville |
| Sept. 25, 1915 | Ticket to be named at town primary |
| Sept. 29, 1915 | Thieves eat Sunday dinner; get jewelry |
| Oct. 2, 1915 | 4 held in connection w/death of West Asheville boy |
| Oct. 6, 1915 | Town is districted for coming primary |
| | J.L. Crook enters the race for mayor |
| | West Asheville to have bank |
| Oct. 8, 1915 | G.D. Carter enters the race for mayor |
| | Spelling contest at West Asheville |
| Oct. 13, 1915 | Municipal ticket is an extended one |
| Oct. 15, 1915 | West Asheville ready for primary |
| Oct. 17, 1915 | West Asheville voters name ticket for general election |
| Oct. 20, 1915 | New registration of voters is ordered |
| | Chamber of Commerce organized at West Asheville |
| Nov. 11, 1915 | West Asheville will have fine boulevard |

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|---|---|
| Nov. 16, 1915 | West Asheville to choose new mayor |
| Nov. 17, 1915 | Crook chosen mayor of West Asheville |
| | Retiring mayor is honored by board |
| Nov. 18, 1915 | Aldermen and new mayor are sworn in |
| Nov. 19, 1915 | Bingham School will have military day |
| Nov. 20, 1915 | Committees named at West Asheville |
| Nov. 22, 1915 | West Asheville to hold mass meeting |
| Dec. 4, 1915 | Aldermen appoint new police force |
| Jan. 26, 1916 | Young man shoots himself in shoulder |
| Feb. 23, 1916 | Earth shocks are distinctly felt throughout city |
| Mar. 8, 1916 | West Asheville bond election set |
| Mar. 15, 1916 | Girls Canning Club, West Asheville HS |
| April 11, 1916 | School fair planned for West Asheville |
| April 12, 1916 | West Asheville gay over bond election |
| April 22, 1916 | Regular meeting of board of aldermen |
| | Closing exercises of school commence |
| April 23, 1916 | C.B. Joyner enters race for constable |
| April 25, 1916 | Many attend school recitation contest |
| April 26, 1916 | Exercises close at West Asheville |
| April 29, 1916 | West Asheville town board holds meeting |
| May 1916 | Hose Company #2 will not change quarters |
| May 10, 1916 | West Asheville Chamber of Commerce meets |
| May 26, 1916 | Dr. Sevier pleased with West Asheville |
| June 2, 1916 | Eliada camp meeting closes tomorrow |
| July 16, 1916 | Old West Asheville bridge after flood |
| July 18, 1916 | West Asheville also suffers from flood |
| | French Broad falls slowly but surely |
| Aug. 9, 1916 | Street car service resumes after bridge inspection |
| Aug. 12, 1916 | Commissioners let bridge contracts |
| Aug. 31, 1916 | West Asheville is being rapidly paved |
| Sept. 16, 1916 | Students organize at West Asheville |
| | Board of aldermen adopt new speed ordinance |
| Oct. 17, 1916 | "West Asheville Estates" advertisement |
| Nov. 1, 1916 | Rapid development in West Asheville |
| | New church formed in West Asheville |
| Nov. 24, 1916 | West Asheville Estates advertisement |
| 1917 | West Asheville listings, Asheville City Directory |
| | West Asheville City Government listings |
| Feb. 1, 1917 | Books & pictures given by Col. Ray |
| Feb. 11, 1917 | Foundation of West Asheville Library laid by Capt. J.E. Ray |
| Feb. 19, 1917 | Record honor roll at West Asheville |
| Feb. 27, 1917 | West Asheville annexation bill offered Senate |
| Feb. 28, 1917 | West Asheville annexation bill offered in NC Senate |
| Mar. 12, 1917 | Many hope for bridge at Murphy Junction |

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| April 3, 1917 | Contract awarded for Smith's bridge |
| April 14, 1917 | Emma School Honor Roll |
| April 21, 1917 | Bingham inspected by US Army officer |
| April 22, 1917 | School exercises at West Asheville |
| | Larger fire limits for West Asheville |
| | School buildings nearing completion |
| May 5, 1917 | West Asheville Board of Aldermen proceedings |
| May 12, 1917 | Sidewalk ordered for Hanover St. |
| 1917 | Photo, last West Asheville Board of Aldermen |
| June 2, 1917 | West Asheville Scouts meet tonight |
| | West a aldermen aid road jubilee |
| June 3, 1917 | Points of interest in & near Asheville |
| June 6, 1917 | Annexation meeting in West A |
| | 6,276 men registered in Buncombe County |
| June 7, 1917 | Annexation meeting ad |
| | West A Red Cross meets today |
| | Coming election will be quite different |
| June 9, 1917 | Annexation election |
| June 9, 1917 | Voting booths are placed for election |
| June 10, 1917 | Annexation election results |
| | Citizens cast votes to annex West Asheville |
| June 12, 1917 | Canvassing board met yesterday |
| June 13, 1917 | Liberty Bonds political cartoon |
| June 14, 1917 | Two weekly military drills at West Asheville |
| June 15, 1917 | Anti-typhoid campaign starts next week |
| June 19, 1917 | Will ask city for fire department |
| June 21, 1917 | Citizens ask for fire department |
| | To organize company at West A |
| June 23, 1917 | Company is formed at West Asheville |
| July 17, 1917 | Colored people get typhoid vaccinations today |
| July 21, 1917 | Selective Service conscription lottery—men drawn in Asheville |
| Oct. 14, 1917 | Craven's Drug Store advertisement |
| Nov. 24, 1917 | West Asheville public meeting re prospective new cotton mill |
| Dec. 1917 | Commissioners act on West Asheville assessments |
| Dec. 4, 1917 | West Asheville School inspection |
| Dec. 14, 1917 | West Asheville School reopens after repairs |
| Dec. 19, 1917 | Fire in Central Grocery |
| 1918 | Asheville Fire Station abandoned |
| July 25, 1918 | Fine lot of men left county yesterday |
| July 30, 1918 | 20 more men go to Camp Hancock |
| Aug. 1, 1918 | Harrison Hart shot yesterday afternoon |
| | City and County to pave Buffalo St. |
| Aug. 17, 1918 | Church uses novel method to get money |

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| Aug. 23, 1918 | Colored drafted men parade with band |
| Aug. 25, 1918 | Miss Fennell new school principal |
| Aug. 27, 1918 | John Robinson's big circus coming soon |
| Aug. 30, 1918 | Colored fair will be held October 8 |
| Sept. 12, 1918 | Big doings in Pearson Park |
| Sept. 22, 1918 | Car company will provide for crowds |
| Sept. 24, 1918 | Thousands witness Robinson's Circus |
| Oct. 3, 1918 | Fight colds, Asheville doctors say |
| Oct. 4, 1918 | Frank Persons in charge of fight on influenza |
| | Nurses available asked to report |
| Oct. 5, 1918 | Churches, schools, and movie houses of city ordered closed |
| Oct. 6, 1918 | Good-natured toleration of present conditions |
| Oct. 7, 1918 | Township schools will close today |
| Oct. 11, 1918 | Saturday closing order is passed |
| Oct. 12, 1918 | Will serve food to sick in city |
| | 8 colored men go to Greensboro |
| | People urged to worship at home |
| Oct. 13, 1918 | Influenza Committee of Red Cross calls for workers |
| | Allen Blackwell dies at home here |
| | Red Cross will aid in fighting epidemic |
| | Several teachers have resigned jobs |
| Oct. 14, 1918 | Red Cross calls for volunteers |
| | Local physicians working long hours |
| Oct. 15, 1918 | Open air sessions of city court held |
| | 213 new cases of influenza reported |
| Oct. 16, 1918 | Adult appearances suggest Halloween |
| | Masons ordered to assist Red Cross |
| | Relief work well-organized here |
| | Sulphur in shoes is good preventive |
| Oct. 17, 1918 | To organize relief work in county |
| Oct. 18, 1918 | To hold services for little girl |
| | Call for night drug store |
| | Emergency hospital will be opened here |
| Oct. 19, 1918 | Will open hospital at the high school |
| | County organization formed to combat influenza Epidemic |
| Oct. 20, 1918 | Benjamin Wolfe pneumonia victim |
| | Hospital is ready for sick in city |
| | Night pharmacy may be opened here soon |
| | Campus is closed during epidemic |
| | Telephone Co. calls on subscribers to restrict use |
| | Well children will be given a home |
| Oct. 21, 1918 | 20 patients at emergency hospital |
| Oct. 22, 1918 | Annex opened for colored patients |
| Oct. 25, 1918 | City schools may open on Saturdays |

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| | Schools fighting "flu" successfully |
| Oct. 29, 1918 | Plans for colored fair are abandoned |
| Nov. 2, 1918 | Will transact only necessary business |
| | New influenza cases show big decrease |
| Nov. 5, 1918 | Influenza cases slightly increase |
| Nov. 9, 1918 | 20 new cases of influenza reported |
| Nov. 10, 1918 | Emergency hospitals to close on Monday |
| Nov. 14, 1918 | Influenza increases again in city |
| Nov. 15, 1918 | Epidemic outbreak changes plans here |
| Nov. 16, 1918 | Court adjourns on account of epidemic |
| | City health officer asks for patience |
| Nov. 22, 1918 | Churches to open 1 hour Sunday |
| Nov. 23, 1918 | Time lost in schools will be made up |
| Dec. 1, 1918 | Influenza again on increase in city |
| Dec. 15, 1918 | Schools to close if epidemic in |
| Jan. 13, 1918 | 2 more schools close for the year |
| Mar. 27, 1919 | Fire sub-station is now organized |
| May 8, 1919 | Buncombe County casualties of WWI |
| May 13, 1919 | New streetlights for West Asheville |
| May 24, 1919 | City gives $1200 for bandstands |
| Sept. 26, 1919 | Street car fare increased to 6 cents |
| Oct. 1, 1919 | Ringling Brothers Circus |
| Oct. 5, 1919 | Colored Fair of interest this week |
| Oct.12, 1919 | Awarded prizes at Colored Fair |
| Oct. 25, 1919 | Trained dog gives messages to mule |
| Oct. 29, 1919 | Negroes form post of American Legion |
| Oct. 30, 1919 | Colored citizens plan celebration |
| Nov. 1, 1919 | Road projects—West Asheville to Sandy Bottoms |
| Nov. 2, 1919 | 5,079 children in the city schools |
| Nov. 5, 1919 | Auto racing down hill lands on house |
| Nov. 9, 1919 | Splendid program for colored soldiers |
| Nov. 10, 1919 | Winners announced in automobiloe contest |
| Nov. 11, 1919 | Colored Citizens to observe today |
| Nov. 17, 1919 | Great Building activity in all sections of Asheville |
| Nov. 23, 1919 | Community schools for adults now in operation in city |
| Dec. 5, 1919 | Asheville will benefit by opening of Dixie Highway |
| Dec. 6, 1919 | Local concern gets contract for road |
| | Palais Royal advertisement |
| Dec. 7, 1919 | Mayor wants use of wood permitted |
| | Biscuit contest was very successful |
| | J.M. Hearn & Co. advertisement |
| Dec. 8, 1919 | Moonshine liquor soaring in price |
| | Wrigley's Gum advertisement |
| Dec. 9, 1919 | Young boy missing since early Saturday |

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THURSDAY AFTERNOON, JANUARY 6, 1910.

# BUYING RIGHTS OF WAY IN WEST ASHEVILLE

## For Trolley Line Extention—Grading of Approach to High Bridge Site About Finished.

The county convict camp, No. 8, under the direction of Capt. Luther, has about completed the grading of the eighth of a mile road necessary to connect the Haywood county road in West Asheville with the West Asheville approach to the new high bridge across the French Broad river. The work of Macadamizing this road will be begun at once.

It was stated here today by citizens of West Asheville that representatives of the Asheville Electric company are engaged over in West Asheville in securing rights of way for the line of electric railway out there. This line, West Asheville people believe, will be built during the year, as they say the contract for the rights of way calls for the road being constructed within 12 months. It was also stated that the Electric company had last week made a survey in West Asheville and that the proposed survey extends to Sulphur Springs, a distance of five miles.

Asheville Gazette January 6, 1910

*Construction of the Clingman Ave. (Concrete) Bridge in 1907 presaged the restoration of street car service to West Asheville in 1910. The new line opened for service on 4 May 1911.*
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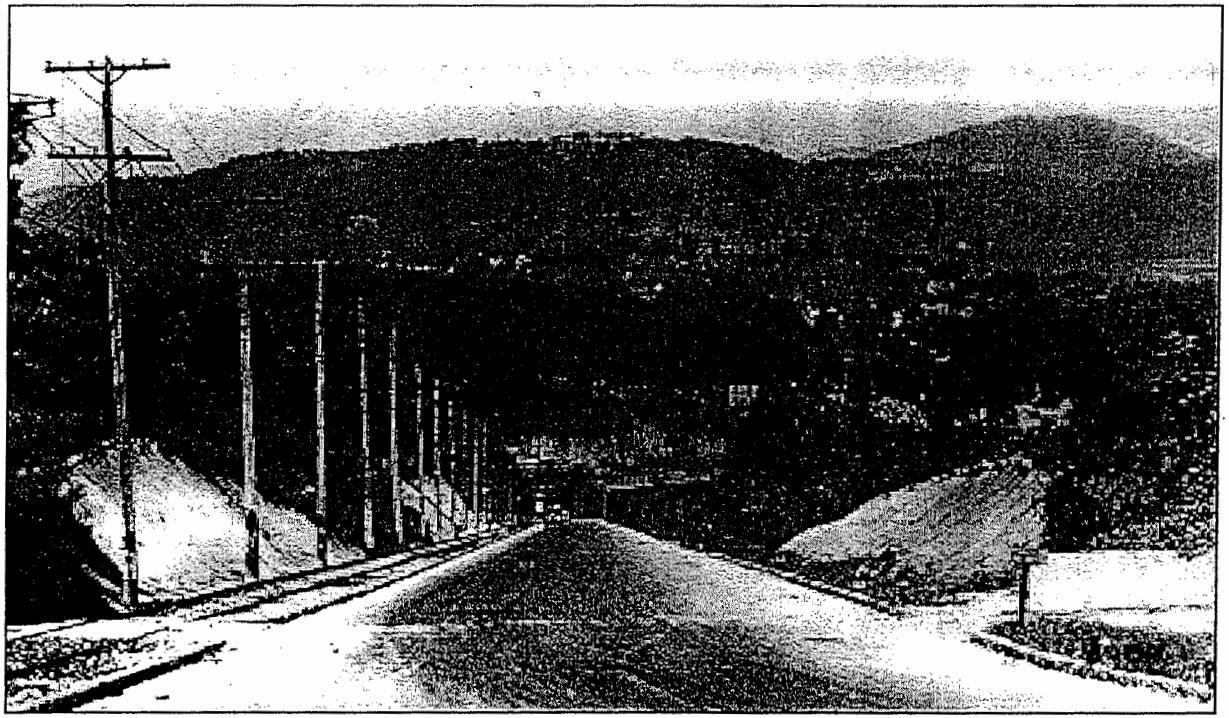

*The precipitous character of the local terrain can be seen in this view of the hill on Haywood Ave. with the street railway tracks running along the north side. The Concrete Bridge can be seen at the bottom of the hill in the center of the picture.*
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*The tracks of the West Asheville line ran alongside Haywood Road through the business district of West Asheville. This view looks east from near where the present Interstate 240 crosses.*
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# BINGHAM SCHOOL HAS RECORD ATTENDANCE

Bingham school re-opened Monday with the largest enrollment of any January in its history, 150 students being registered. A stretch of territory from Canada to the city of Mexico is now represented in the student body. Colonel Bingham yesterday expressed himself as being decidedly pleased with the outlook for the coming term.

Touching upon remarks made last Sunday to the effect that a number of Bingham boys were in town without uniforms, Colonel Bingham stated that the "culprits" were new men who had not yet been measured for uniforms.

Asheville Citizen January 19, 1910

# ROLLINS AND LOGAN WILL BE APPOINTED

## NAMES WILL BE SENT IN TO SENATE IN FEW DAYS

### Grant Declares He is Standing Pat on the Biltmore Postoffice Muddle.

One of the local appointments and possibly two seems to be assured according to a special dispatch to The Citizen from its Washington correspondent last night. The dispatch says:

"The appointments of Logan, as marshal, and Rollins, postmaster, are expected within the next few days. When asked concerning the Luther and Logan matters tonight Mr. Grant said:

"I am standing pat on both."

It has been a foregone conclusion for several days that Major Rollins would be reappointed. In fact the fight of other candidates for the office was abandoned some time ago. Mr. Logan's appointment as marshal, however, has not been so considered as such a certainty owing to the fact that he has made himself conspicuous in his fight against Mrs. Reed in the Biltmore postoffice muddle. However, it seems that Congressman Grant is "standing pat" on Logan's aspirations and will succeed in having him named.

The only other local aspirant for the position was M. Dunn McKee who, however, has never had the backing of the local organization.

From the fact that nothing is said about the other appointments it is presumed that they are to be held up awhile later.

Asheville Citizen January 26, 1910

# WILL BEGIN WORK ON HIGH BRIDGE SOON

Capt. R. P. Johnston, consulting engineer of the high bridge commission, and the county commissioners, has just received instructions from C. B. Clark and company of Baltimore who are contractors for the construction of the high bridge over the French Broad river that the materials, tools, etc., would be shipped this week, and that men would follow next week to begin the construction work. Capt. Johnston has received the detailed plans and is busy checking them over to verify the calculations.

Asheville Citizen January 27, 1910

THE ASHEVILLE CITIZEN, WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 26, 1910.

# GATLING GUN IS FIRED AGAIN AND MR. LOGAN GETS HUMOROUS

## Mrs. Reed's Attorney Comes Back Hard at Mr. Grant's Chairman With Some Suggestive Remarks But the Latter Says He Has Quit Letter Writing.

I notice that Mr. Carter is not only continuing to try his own lawsuit through the public press, but is now endeavoring to try my lawsuit through the same medium. This is all right with me and he is privileged to go ahead, provided I am to receive the same generous terms in the way of fees for this class of service as is accorded to others."

This is the reply made yesterday by Mr. W. E. Logan to the hot missive sent him yesterday by Attorney Frank Carter in answer to the letter he received Monday from Mr. Logan which in turn answered Mr. Carter's letter which was published in Sunday's Citizen. And it is the only reply the republican congressional chairman made.

Asked if he did not intend to write a letter in reply Mr. Logan smiled and said that he did not expect to write any more letters but would leave this to Mr. Carter. It was suggested to him, but vainly, that the letter of Mrs. Reed's attorney carried some stinging suggestions, Mr. Grant's campaign manager and choice for United States marshal declining to commit himself further than as quoted above.

The following letter was sent him yesterday by Mr. Carter:

Mr. W. E. Logan,
Asheville, N. C.

Dear Sir:—Your published reply to my letter of the 21st inst. is chiefly notable for your refusal to answer any one of the five questions propounded to you.

You were asked to declare your authority for the false charge that Mrs. Reed's attorney was in the pay of politicians who cared nothing for her interests, and instead of giving the information or refusing it, in a straightforward way, you attempt to muddy the water by quoting a newspaper surmise which was avowedly called out by the publication of your false charge.

This is no answer and the employment of such artifice strengthens the suspicion that you were your own informant in the making of this false charge.

You were asked, in substance, in the inquiries numbered 1 and 2, if you were not necessary before the fact to the fabrication of the Greenwood story, and to the attempt, by fraud and deceit, to foist Greenwood upon the Washington authorities, as a credible witness, and you explicitly refuse either to affirm or to deny.

For the avowed purpose of exposing the hollow insincerity of your attack upon Mrs. Reed upon the alleged ground that she had offered financial inducements for her reappointment, you were, by the inquiries numbered 3 and 4, asked questions which you could not have answered candidly without disclosing the fact that your claims upon the marshalship and Mr. Luther's claims upon the Biltmore postmastership were largely, if not principlly, based upon financial considerations. These questions you do not and dare not answer.

You cunningly attempt to alienate sympathy from Mrs. Reed by the irrelevant statement that she has property of the value of some $7,500. I have no knowledge as to whether this statement is true or false, but if true, it seems to me to furnish very slight ground for unfavorable action upon her application for reappointment as postmaster at Biltmore, and none whatever for the secret warfare which has been waged against her, without mercy and without scruple.

The fact that you are a man of wealth should not militate against your candidacy for the marshalship unless that wealth was, in whole or in part, improperly acquired—unless, for instance, you became possessed of the substance of a near relative to the amount of several thousand dollars, and when his widow called you in court for an accounting you sought to protect yourself against such accounting by pleading the statute of limitations. This allusion is to the action of Ella B. Denver, administratrix of your deceased uncle, A. B. Denver, against W. E. Logan, now and for several years pending in the Superior court of Buncombe county.

I know and charge nothing as to the merits of the controversy between you and the widow-administratrix of your deceased uncle, but the pleadings speak for themselves.

If I were as ready to harm you by the publication of my information against you as you are to harm a widow by the publication of your information against her, the public would get an interesting story as to the methods alleged to have been employed by your unloading $5,000 of practically worthless stock upon your uncle, whose widow is now suing you as above stated. Yours truly,

FRANK CARTER.

Asheville, Jan. 25, '10.

# The Fight For U.S. Marshalship.

SUNDAY CITIZEN, JANUARY 30, 1910.

# SAY THAT ASHEVILLE SHOULD BACK LOGAN

Should Asheville get together and make a concerted move to bring the office of the United States marshal here?

Some hold to this view, and say that now that Mr. McKee has withdrawn from the race Asheville should make a solid pull for Mr. W. E. Logan, not only because of local pride, but because his appointment would mean the removal of the marshal's office from Greensboro here. The office employs a number of men and involves the expenditure of some $25,000 a year in Greensboro.

A man from the Greensboro section here yesterday was inclined to deride Asheville for overlooking the business end of the race and not solidly supporting Logan.

"At Greensboro," he said, "they want the office and regardless of personal likes and dislikes they are backing the man they think stands the best chance of winning. McCrary. Why, I think the board of trade even has officially endorsed him. Up here no one seems to consider the advantage to the city of having the office here, but consider the contest as one of politics only. What good will it do people who do not like Logan to see McCrary get the office? It certainly won't help Asheville a cent and Logan's appointment would help it."

# FRANCHISE GIVEN BY THE ALDERMEN

## FOR STREET CAR LINE TO NEW BRIDGE SITE

### Everything is Now Ready for Bridge Contractors to Begin Work.— Special Meeting Yesterday.

Everything is now ready for the West Asheville bridge. C. D. Clark and company of Baltimore, to proceed with their work of construction and this will begin in a few weeks at the latest.

The county commissioners yesterday sold the $50,000 bridge bonds and entered into a contract with the Asheville Electric company for a street railway across the bridge and the board of aldermen in special session yesterday morning granted a franchise to the electric company to lay tracks on Depot and Roberts street to the Asheville terminus of the bridge.

The matter was taken up the afternoon before by the aldermen but action was postponed until yesterday morning because of failure to find a resolution relating to the part the city was to undertake in furthering the building the bridge. It was supposed that such a resolution had been adopted and was on the minute book but it was discovered yesterday that such resolution was merely reported by the street committee and never acted upon and so not entered on the minutes. Therefore it was not surprising that Clerk Hallyburton could not find it the afternoon before.

The aldermen heard the views of the street committee as to the safeguarding of the city's interests as presented by Chairman J. Frazier Glenn, and simply provided a right of way to the Electric company. And fills or widening of Roberts street and therefore any possible claims for damage must be provided for by the railway company.

The railway company will provide for a bridge track by extending its French Broad avenue line across Depot street and along Roberts street from the curve which turns into Depot street from the woods. It is said there is no present intention by the county to open up the proposed new street to French Broad avenue for which the city undertakes to lend its aid by condemnation proceedings in the unlikely event these would be required.

# BRIDGE BONDS SOLD TO TOLEDO BUYERS

## ISSUE OF $50,000 BROUGHT PREMIUM OF $2,018.50

### Asheville Electric Company Formally Agrees to Pay $15,000 Toward Bridge Building.

The $50,000 issue of county bonds in aid of the construction of the West Asheville bridge was sold by the county commissioners yesterday at a premium of $2,018.50 to the firm of Hohler and Cummings, of Toledo, their bid being the highest offered by thirteen bidders. The bonds will run twenty years and draw five per cent interest.

In view of the prevailing low prices for bonds the bid was as good as was expected. The price offered is $104.03 per $100 bond and the premium means that the county will really pay but 4.03 per cent interest on $50,000.

A formal contract was previously entered into by the board with the Asheville Electric company by the terms of which the county grants a franchise for a street railway over the bridge and the highways on the west side in return for which the company agrees to contribute $15,000 toward the building of the reinforced concrete structure. It is provided that road bed shall be located under direction of the commissioners in order to avoid interference with wagon travel and elevations at road crossings. With the additional subscription of $5,000 by the people of West Asheville the county will supply the difference between the total of $20,000 and the ultimate cost of the bridge to be erected by C. D. Clark & Co., of Baltimore. A formal order validating the contract to the latter was entered on the board's minutes.

But one bid was received for 4 1-2 per cent bonds, that being from Well, Roth & Co., of Cincinnati, who offered a premium of $1,405. The following bids for 5 per cent bonds were opened:

Seasongood & Meyer, Cincinnati, $830; Western German bank, Cincinnati, $1,577.50; the Central Trust Co., $1,050; Otis & Hough, Cleveland, $1,500; Hohler & Cummings, Toledo, $2,018.50; Woodin, McNear and Moore, Chicago, $1,687; Thomas J. Holger & Co., Chicago, $1,040; A. J. Hood & Co., Detroit, $1,000; N. W. Harris & Co., New York, $800; Robinson Humphrey Co., Atlanta, $1,-1251; S. A. Kean & Co., Chicago, $1,-400; John Nuveen & Co., Chicago, $1,375.

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# BRIDGE BUILDERS REACH ASHEVILLE

## WEST ASHEVILLE WILL SOON SEE SIGNS OF WORK

### Superintendent J. T. Morehead of C. D. Clark & Co., Came Yesterday with Car of Machinery.

Work of constructing the new reinforced concrete bridge in West Asheville will begin in the next few days.

Superintendent J. T. Morehead of the contracting firm of C. D. Clark & Co., of Baltimore, arrived yesterday afternoon with an advance crew of men and a car of machinery, and promptly proceeded to arrange for a work shop site and supplies of material.

The bridge will extend from Roberts street in Asheville to the West Asheville bluff where its terminus will join a road leading to the main macadam road. Its length will be 930 feet, exclusive of approaches and its width 35 feet, affording space for roadways, sidewalk and street car track. The river will be crossed by two spans of 125 feet each, and in this connection it may be said that the bridge will be excelled by but two concrete bridge structures in the country, the Connecticut Avenue bridge in Washington and one in Philadelphia.

The contracting firm is one of established reputation and ability and the bridge work will be carried on as expeditiously as is consistent with thoroughness.

# STILL ATTACKED BY MONSTER MASTIFF

## WAS BADLY INJURED BEFORE DOG COULD BE KILLED

### Brute in Frenzy Continued His Attack Until Axe Laid Him Low.

Bonnie Bradley, the fourteen year old daughter of Mr. George Bradley, a resident of West Asheville was terribly bitten and wounded by a large mastiff yesterday afternoon at the residence of the child's uncle, Mr. Molt Bradley of West Asheville.

About one o'clock Miss Bonnie went over to call on her aunt who lives close by, and when she entered the room where her aunt was, the mastiff sprang upon her, knocked her down, and began to bite her. Her aunt who was the only person in the house at the time, tried her best to beat the dog off, but at last after her efforts were of no avail she ran from the house and screamed for help. Her cries reached the ears of Mr. Ed. Alexander, who was passing at some distance, and he responded to the distressed woman's assistance. He ran quite a distance to a nearby neighbor's and secured an axe. When he reached the house the child was screaming and fighting the dog the best she could, but the brute was in a perfect frenzy and was fast overcoming her. Mr. Alexander hit the dog with the axe, but it did not seem to faze him, as he continued to bite and snap at the helpless girl, and two more blows were necessary to still the dog's vicious attack.

The child was bitten in about fifty places, both arms being torn in several places, and her limbs and the lower part of her body was terribly lacerated.

Dr. P. B. Orr dressed the child's wounds, and reports that they cannot be regarded as fatal, although some of them are rather serious.

The dog did not belong to the child's uncle, but was kept by him for the owner. The dog was killed by Mr. Alexander's third blow and its head will be sent to the state board of health at Raleigh for examination, to see whether it had rabies. The dog was an unusually large dog, but was never regarded as vicious.

# LOGAN, DOCKERY, ADAMS, WINNERS

## Taft Says He'll Name Adams to Succeed Holton—Favorable Report on Seawell,

The Gazette-News Bureau,
15 Post Building.
Washington, Feb. 28.

Announcement was made at the White House today that the president will appoint Judge Adams district attorney to succeed Holton. The statement was given to the press by the president's direction.

Claudius Dockery of Raleigh is nominated for United States marshal for the eastern district. Mr. Dockery had the endorsement of Mr. Duncan, national committeeman.

The nomination of W. E. Logan of Asheville to be United States marshal for the Western district of North Carolina was transmitted to the senate this afternoon. The senate judiciary committee favorably reports the nomination of H. P. Seawell of Carthage to be district attorney of the Eastern district.

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# ARE EXCAVATING FOR HIGH BRIDGE

## As Result of the Favorable Weather a Number of Men Were Set to Work Today.

With the opening of the spring weather the contracting firm of C. R. Clark & Co. of Baltimore have begun the work of excavating for the new high bridge across the French Broad river, connecting Asheville and West Asheville. [illegible] Superintendent J. T. Morehead [illegible] men are at work today on the east side of the river, making excavations for beginning the foundation work. [illegible] concrete work have been constructed and the concrete work is expected to begin next week.

C. R. Clark, the head of the firm, is here personally looking after the starting of the work, and will make frequent visits of inspection.

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# MR. LOGAN CINCHES U. S. MARSHALSHIP

## NOMINATION CONFIRMED BY SENATE YESTERDAY.

### Expects to Assume Duties of the Office About April 1, but Has Made no Plans.

A special dispatch to The Citizen from Washington last night announced that the nomination of Mr. W. E. Logan for United States marshal of the Western district of North Carolina, had been duly confirmed by the senate. Mr. Logan was informed of his confirmation by The Citizen, and while there has never been any question as to the ultimate action of the senate, he was naturally gratified to have the nomination "made unanimous."

Mr. Logan was unable to say just when he would assume charge of the office, but expects to be sworn in about April 1. He has as yet made no plans for the conduct of the office nor has he considered the appointment of deputies yet, he said.

The marshal's office as present is located in Greensboro, and Mr. Logan will have to go there to assume his duties. It has been hoped that with the appointment of a Western North Carolina man to the position, that the office would be moved to this city, where it rightly belongs, but as yet nothing has been done to that end.

With Mr. Logan's confirmation all the local nominations except that of Mr. B. J. Luther for the Biltmore postoffice, have been confirmed. No news whatever is forthcoming as to Mr. Luther's probable fate, although his friends express the utmost confidence that he will ultimately be confirmed. In this particular case the delay is ominous on account of the bitter fight which has been made against his confirmation by the friends of Mrs. Fannie J. Reed, former postmaster at Biltmore.

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# WORKING HARD ON THE NEW CONCRETE BRIDGE

## MR. C. B. CLARK SAYS HE FOLLOWS HIS JOB

### Workmen Now Engaged on Arch Foundations Find First Layer of Rock.

"I follow my job," said Mr. C. B. Clark, of Baltimore, who is erecting the new West Asheville bridge, when asked yesterday where the headquarters of his company were located. "My headquarters are here right now," he said, "and will be until the bridge is completed."

Asked when he expected the structure to be opened for use, Mr. Clark said that he thought it would be ready in eight months. "There may be some unforseen difficulties to delay us," said Mr. Clark, "but I confidently expect to have the job finished in the time mentioned."

The men, about forty in number, are now at work on excavations for the foundations of the big arches which will support the structure. On the river's edge hard rock has been reached, about eleven feet below the surface. Mr. Clark said that while he was partial to rock foundations, some samples of rock were decidedly better than others. He was not quite satisfied with that on which the men were working and he was going deeper.

THURSDAY, MARCH 24, 1910.

# W. ASHEVILLE BOYS ALL PLEAD GUILTY

## ARE SENT TO SUPERIOR COURT FOR SENTENCE

### Gang of Youthful Thieves Will Employ their Talent in Other Directions Now.

The six white boys who were arrested Tuesday morning on several charges of larceny preferred against them by residents of West Asheville and vicinity were given a preliminary hearing before Magistrate Gudger yesterday afternoon and each boy was bound over to court under a $100 bond in each case against them.

The boys were Reuith Callahan, Albert Christopher, Wiley Henderson, Walter Dryman and Arthur Davis, ranging in age from fifteen to twenty years. They were arrested in West Asheville by Patrolman McConnell and Special Policeman Edwards after some very clever detective work, and the officers obtained a confession from all of them shortly after their arrest.

All of the boys were charged with and plead guilty to forcibly entering the store of W. A. Guthrie in West Asheville, and stealing a quantity of chewing and smoking tobacco, pipes, socks, tinware and other articles.

Callahan, Christopher, Henderson and Dryman pleaded guilty to another charge, that of stealing eggs and chickens from Robert Mears of West Asheville. Their bond was placed at $200.

No evidence was taken in the hearing as all the boys plead guilty to the charges. No other cases were taken up against them.

# MR. LOGAN FORWARDS BOND TO DEPARTMENT

## The New Marshal Has Indicted no Intention of Making Changes in the Office Force.

W. E. Logan, the newly appointed marshal of the Western District of North Carolina has forwarded his bond to the department at Washington, and is making all arrangements to assume his new duties April 1. The bond is for $30,000, and covers the four-year period of the appointment. Mr. Logan has announced no intention of making any changes in the present office force, and it is thought that practically all, if not all of the deputy marshals will be reappointed.

J. M. Bailey, who has been acting as marshal since the resignation of J. M. Millikan, will resume his duties as chief office deputy. Mr. Logan's commission, now in the hands of Judge J. E. Boyd at Greensboro, will be delivered to him on April 1, when Mr. Logan takes charge of the office.

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# MR. LOGAN TAKES HIS OFFICE APRIL 1

## WILL RETAIN MOST OF DEPUTIES NOW SERVING

### First Duty Will Be During Term Which Opens at Charlotte April 4.

Announcement was made yesterday by Mr. W. E. Logan of this city who was recently appointed United States marshal for the Western district of North Carolina that he would take charge of the office, at Greensboro on April 1. Mr. Logan's position will compel him to go to Greensboro where the office is located, but it is believed that it will not be long before the office will be transfered to Asheville. This transfer is one of the first matters that will occupy the new marshal's attention and it is altogether possible that he may succeed in bringing the office to this city.

The first duty that will be performed by the new marshal will be the opening of the spring term of the United States court at Charlotte on April 4, and from then on he will be in charge of the various courts, six all told, located as follows, Charlotte, Wilkesboro, Statesville, Salisbury and Asheville. The court will convene in Asheville on the 1st Monday in May.

In speaking of the appointments of deputy marshals in the district Mr. Logan stated that for the present all of the seven field and four office deputies would be retained, although changes may come later.

The present office deputy at Asheville, Mr. John W. McElroy, will be retained, and a successor will be named for the place of field deputy which is soon to be vacated by Deputy Marshal R. M. Ramsey, who is going to resign. Mr. Ramsey has become interested in stock raising Madison county and intends to put all of his efforts in that direction.

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# MR. LOGAN HAS ASSUMED HIS DUTIES AS MARSHAL

## Reappoints All Present Force, Except Reynolds at Wilkesboro.

W. E. Logan yesterday, at Greensboro, assumed the duties of marshal of the Western district of North Carolina. He will attend his first court at Charlotte, beginning Monday. Mr. Logan reappointed all of the present force with the exception of Mr. Reynolds at Wilkesboro, appointing C. H. Hollis. Mr. Hollis, however, is sick, and Mr. Reynolds was continued until Mr. Hollis is able to assume his duties.

Mr. Logan has announced no appointee for the position held by R. S. Ramsey at Asheville, Mr. Ramsey resigning. The office will be continued at Greensboro for a while at least.

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# NEW U.S. MARSHALL SWORN IN OFFICE

## Mr. W. H. Logan Will Begin His Official Duties With Opening Court at Charlotte

United States Marshal W. H. Logan of the Western North Carolina district will assume charge of his new duties at the term of the Federal court which convenes in Charlotte tomorrow. Mr. Logan was recently appointed and took the oath of office at Greensboro last week. The only changes made in the force of deputies is the appointment of Mr. C. H. Hollis as the successor of Deputy Marshal Reynolds at Wilkesboro. It is understood that Deputy Marshal Ramsey of the Asheville office will not ask for re-appointment, he having decided to devote all his time to farming in Madison county. For the present the marshal's office will be continued at Greensboro, but it is believed that it will not be long before it will be changed to Asheville.

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# SERIOUS RUNAWAY IN WEST ASHEVILLE

## MRS. PORTERFIELD, SON AND DAUGHTERS INJURED

### Mother Thrown In Lake, Sustains Broken Leg—Mr. Porterfield Sprains His Ankle.

Mrs. R. W. Porterfield of this city, sustained a broken leg and dislocated shoulder in a serious runaway on the road near the Asheville school lake yesterday afternoon. Her son, Mr. R. B. Porterfield, suffered a sprained ankle and her two daughters, Misses Maud and Nell Porterfield, escaped with lighter injuries. Mr. Porterfield sprained his right ankle, while the young ladies were bruised in jumping from the carriage after the horses started to run.

Mrs. Porterfield, family and driver were passing over the lake bridge when one of the horses stumbled and fell. The bridle on the off horse was broken in the fall and on regaining its feet the animal started on a fast run, its mate following suit. The driver leaped from the carriage in an effort to grasp the horses' heads but missed his hold and fell. The young ladies jumped from the vehicle, but the mother and son kept their seats, the latter vainly trying to check the runaways with the one unbroken line. At a sharp turn of the road the carriage was overturned and Mrs. Porterfield was thrown in the lake, her son landing on the bank. Mr. Porterfield, despite his sprained ankle, immediately went to his mother's assistance and rescued her from her perilous position. He kept her above the water until the driver came and helped them out. It was found that Mrs. Porterfield's leg was broken below the knee. The mother and daughters were taken to the Asheville school by later arrivals and they were later removed to Asheville after medical aid had been summoned from the city.

# CADETS FALL INTO THE FRENCH BROAD

## Messrs. Craig and Le Massina Unwittingly Provided Diversion for People at Riverside Sunday Afternoon.

A "cool" incident, carrying with it an impromptu bath, witnessed by many people at Riverside park yesterday afternoon, overtook two Bingham students, Cadet Craig and Cadet LeMassina, on the French Broad river during the afternoon. It seems that the cadets were out canoeing on the rippling waters of the French Broad when their canoe upset and sent them sprawling into the cold water. The cadets, striking the water and taking quick breath, realized their plight and immediately struck for shore. Both evidenced that they were good swimmers, even with their clothing on, and immediately the incident of the overturned canoe was transformed into a swimming contest. The two cadets hit the bank about the same time dripping from them, made their way to barracks for a change of dry clothing. The affair was fraught with no ill effects to the victims.

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# NOW READY TO BE SOLD!

## The Celebrated 60 Acre Tract 4 1-2 Miles West of Asheville Known as Sulphur Springs

This tract adjoins the Asheville School property and is reached by an excellent Macadamized road or via Southern railway.

It would make an ideal site for a hotel. It is 2500 feet above the sea level, is densely wooded and within two miles North and South mountains rise to a height of 4000 feet. On the East can be seen Mt. Mitchell, 6700 feet in altitude, while on the West can be seen the Balsam range with Mt. Pisgah 5700 feet in altitude. The scenery in all directions is extremely beautiful.

The climate is ideal, never too warm at mid-day, while the nights are always cool.

Sulphur Springs, also Chalybeate Springs, each with a national reputation for great medicinal and curative qualities, flow on this property.

Adjoining Sulphur Springs is a tract of over 200 acres known as Sulphur Springs Farm. This property has substantially the same description as Sulphur Springs. It is now for sale as a whole or will be sold in 100 acre tracts. The terms are easy. For full particulars, address

**O. B. SCHOENFELD,**

1112 MAISON BLANCHE BUILDING, NEW ORLEANS, LA.

Asheville Gazette-News April 25, 1910

# E. B. ATKINSON ALSO GETS INTO THE RUNNING

## Announces Candidacy for Nomination for Office of Clerk of Court.

With little more than a month remaining before the democratic primary when candidates of the party will be selected to make the race for election at the November election, the "boys" are coming out into the open with such a degree of cheerfulness and earnestness that would indicate a right lively time when the day of the primary election rolls around. Already there are several candidates out for two or three of the offices, while today another entry was added for the office of clerk of the Superior court; E. B. Atkinson, a resident of West Asheville, making formal announcement that he was before the people for that nomination.

The "coming out" of Mr. Atkinson now places two gentlemen in the race for the office, Marcus Erwin, the present encumbent, having announced a few days ago. Mr. Atkinson is a son of the late Nat. Atkinson, who for years, was prominent in politics in this county and section. He has been a resident of Asheville and this section for many years and, his friends contend, if nominated he would fill the office most creditably. Mr. Atkinson in the course of his formal announcement, found elsewhere in today's paper, says that "it is believed a change in administration will be good for the health of the democratic party."

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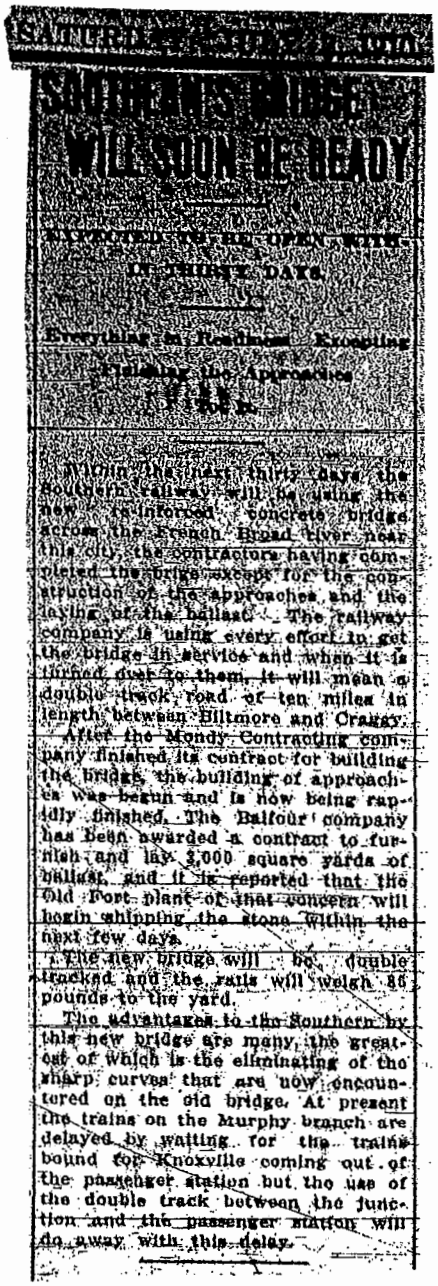

# SOUTHERN'S BRIDGE WILL SOON BE READY

## Everything in Readiness Excepting Finishing the Approaches

Within the next thirty days the Southern railway will be using the new reinforced concrete bridge across the French Broad river near this city, the contractors having completed the bridge except for the construction of the approaches and the laying of the ballast. The railway company is using every effort to get the bridge in service and when it is turned over to them, it will mean a double track road of ten miles in length between Biltmore and Craggy.

After the Mondy Contracting company finished its contract for building the bridge, the building of approaches was begun and is now being rapidly finished. The Balfour company has been awarded a contract to furnish and lay 3,000 square yards of ballast, and it is reported that the Old Fort plant of that concern will begin shipping the stone within the next few days.

The new bridge will be double tracked and the rails will weigh 85 pounds to the yard.

The advantages to the Southern by this new bridge are many, the greatest of which is the eliminating of the sharp curves that are now encountered on the old bridge. At present the trains on the Murphy branch are delayed by waiting for the trains bound for Knoxville coming out of the passenger station but the use of the double track between the junction and the passenger station will do away with this delay.

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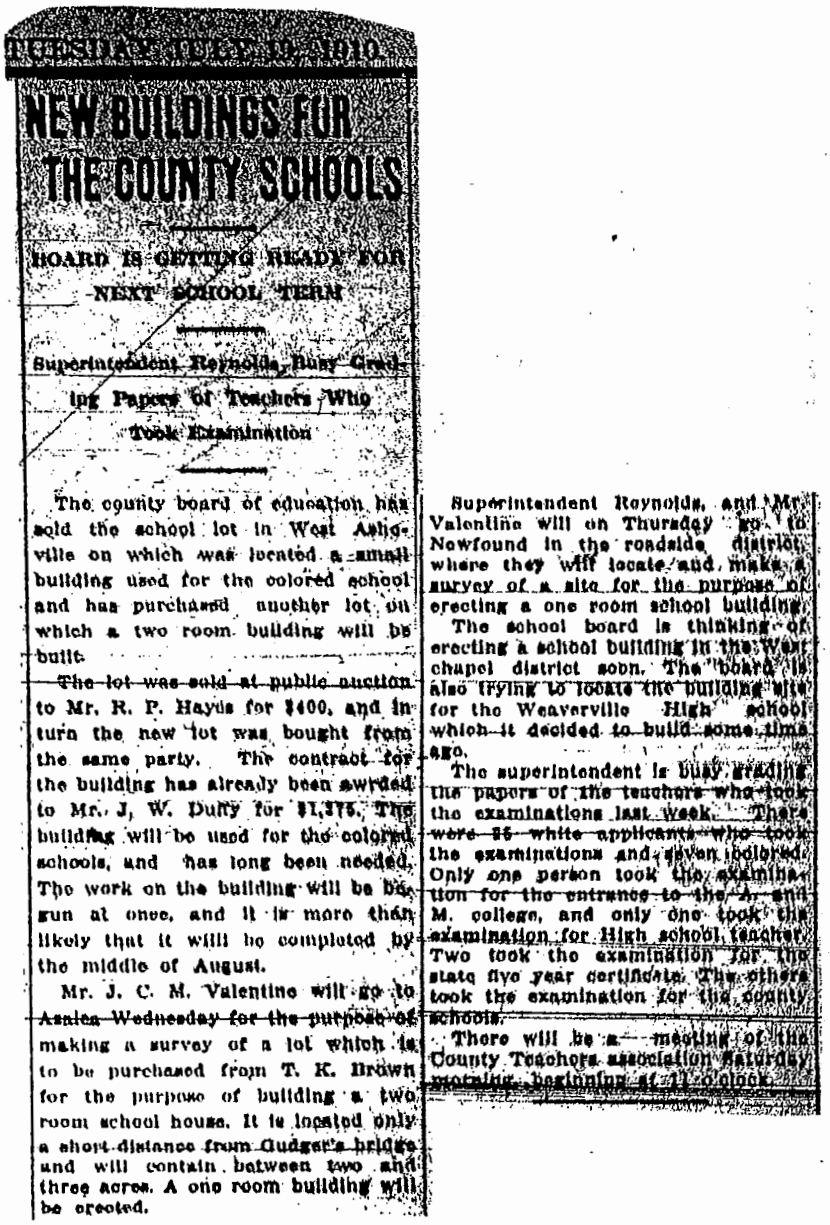

TUESDAY, JULY 19, 1910.

# NEW BUILDINGS FOR THE COUNTY SCHOOLS

## BOARD IS GETTING READY FOR NEXT SCHOOL TERM

### Superintendent Reynolds Busy Grading Papers of Teachers Who Took Examination

The county board of education has sold the school lot in West Asheville on which was located a small building used for the colored school and has purchased another lot on which a two room building will be built.

The lot was sold at public auction to Mr. R. P. Hayes for $400, and in turn the new lot was bought from the same party. The contract for the building has already been awrded to Mr. J. W. Duffy for $1,375. The building will be used for the colored schools, and has long been needed. The work on the building will be begun at once, and it is more than likely that it will be completed by the middle of August.

Mr. J. C. M. Valentine will go to Azalea Wednesday for the purpose of making a survey of a lot which is to be purchased from T. K. Brown for the purpose of building a two room school house. It is located only a short distance from Gudger's bridge and will contain between two and three acres. A one room building will be erected.

Superintendent Reynolds, and Mr. Valentine will on Thursday go to Newfound in the roadside district where they will locate and make a survey of a site for the purpose of erecting a one room school building.

The school board is thinking of erecting a school building in the West chapel district soon. The board is also trying to locate the building site for the Weaverville High school which it decided to build some time ago.

The superintendent is busy grading the papers of the teachers who took the examinations last week. There were 35 white applicants who took the examinations and seven colored. Only one person took the examination for the entrance to the A. and M. college, and only one took the examination for High school teacher. Two took the examination for the state five year certificate. The others took the examination for the county schools.

There will be a meeting of the County Teachers association Saturday morning, beginning at 11 o'clock.

**Asheville Citizen July 19, 1910**

TUESDAY - AUGUST 2, 1910.

# COUNTY SCHOOLS OPENED YESTERDAY

## ATTENDANCE ON OPENING DAY REPORTED SATISFACTORY

### Board of Education Has Several School Houses to Provide in Different Districts.

A majority of the public schools of the county opened today with good opening attendances, and the outlook is for a very successful year. The schools have been supplied with a very efficient teaching force, and this year promises to be a record one in the county schools.

Superintendent Reynolds will today visit the Woodfin school with a view of ascertaining the need at that school of a third teacher. It is his purpose to begin at once the visitation of the several schools of the county to see that everything is in good running shape.

There are now in course of erection in the county three school houses which it is hoped to get into readiness for use within a few weeks. One of these is in French Broad township one in Upper Newfound and the other is a colored school building in West Asheville.

The board of education hopes within a few days to be able to let contracts for the building of houses at Black Mountain and Azalea. At the latter a site of four acres has been procured from Mr. T. K. Brown at a price of $400 and the erection of this building should not be delayed. At Black Mountain it has so far been impossible to secure a desirable site. Several have been under consideration but obstacles have been placed in the way of the board in each case, and as the matter now stands that town has a building coming to it as soon as a building site can be secured.

New teachers have been employed within the last few weeks for the following schools:

Miss Irene Abernathey, principal at Fairview, which will open next Monday.

Miss Nannie Delbruhl, teacher at Alexander's.

Fulton McKinney, teacher at Flint Hill.

Miss Lillian Dougherty, Upper Avery's creek.

Nathan Coward, Teague district in Sandy Mush township.

**Asheville Citizen August 2, 1910**

SATURDAY, AUGUST 13, 1910

# NEW BRIDGE ACROSS FRENCH BROAD OPEN

## Southern Railway Operates First Trains Over Concrete Structure Yesterday Morning.

The Southern railway yesterday morning opened for traffic the newly completed concrete bridge over the French Broad river, the first train passing over it being a freight of twelve cars bound for Addie. This train, drawn by engine No. 194, was in charge of Conductor Wiley E. Rogers, Engineer Roberts being at the throttle.

The completion of this bridge and its opening for traffic is an event to which the officials of the road have been looking forward with eagerness. It eliminates a bad double curve on the old bridge, and adds greatly to the space for the handling of traffic in the yards.

This bridge was constructed at a cost of about $225,000, and about two years of active work have been necessary for its completion. The work on it was hardly half finished, when the panic of 1907 broke over the country, and the Southern called off all the improvements on its lines. About a year ago the contract for the finishing of the work was let to Monday and company of Knoxville. At the same time yesterday that the new bridge was put into commission the old trestle was cut out.

**Asheville Citizen August 13, 1910**

AUGUST 19, 1910

# COUNTY SCHOOLS PREPARE FOR TERM

## WEST ASHEVILLE AND BILTMORE TO OPEN SEPT. 6

### Reports Up to Date Show Good Attendance and Unusually Good Work.

Many of the public schools throughout the county have opened for the school year, and reports of inspections by Superintendent Reynolds show large attendance and good work. A few of the schools have not yet opened, but they will be opened by September 6.

The West Asheville school will be opened September 6. The teachers will be Prof. D. C. Tucker, principal; Miss Eleanor Hildebrand, primary teacher; Miss Jennie Whitson, Miss Bessie Morgan, Mr. R. B. Edwards, Miss Lillie Stephenson and Miss Minnie Jones.

The Biltmore school will also open on September 6. A new teacher has been added to the faculty, making four instructors instead of three. The faculty will be Prof. W. H. Hipp, principal; Mrs. D. L. Ellis, primary teacher; Miss Pearl Weaver and Mrs. S. J. Morgan.

Superintendent Reynolds visited the Fairview school on August 16, and found that they opened with an enrollment of over 100. The teachers have started out well, and the pupils are doing fine work.

The Grace, Emma and Johnston schools have been visited by the superintendent and show good attendance, with the teachers and pupils doing fine work.

The contract for the new one-room school building at Azalea has been awarded to Mr. W. E. Ward for $673, and the work will be begun at once, in order to have it completed by October 1st, when it will be put in use.

The County Teachers' association will be held the last Saturday in each month at the high school building, and all teachers will be required to attend.

Superintendent Reynolds will attend the state county superintendents meeting at Chapel Hill August 30.

**Asheville Citizen August 19, 1910**

# Bridges Yield to Force of Waters

What was probably the most serious trouble on the railroad near Asheville was the washing away of the trestle near Craggy. This went early in the day yesterday, and left the whole west side of the French Broad without connection with this city. All the manufacturing plants along the river are cut off and will be almost helpless for several days.

The new county bridge across the French Broad near the depot suffered considerably. All of the superstructure of the west arch was swept away. Concrete in the first arch was only placed about three weeks ago, but this stood the test all right. Part o fthe false work under the first span went down, but as a whole the bridge escaped without any serious damage. The offices of the contractors were submerged, and their records, blue prints, and the like had to be brought out by swimmers. A temporary stage was built and a force of hands put to work to save the 2,500 sacks of concrete which were rolled over to freight cars nearby.

Depot street was literally flooded, the water standing several inches deep in front of the Glen Rock hotel. The mud washed in was over two inches. In a number of stores along the street the water reacher a depth of six inches.

The Standard Oil company, the North Carolina Oil company, the Carolina Fuel company, the Englis Lumber company, all these and many others along the route of the raging waters were heavy losers. The property of all the concerns along the river was more or less submerged and oil barrels, lumber, and all sorts of debris floated merrily away down the stream. The water reached a height of some ten or twelve inches, varying as it was dammed by the debris, and flowed through the windows of the different plants, flooding everything. After reaching the high water mark of 1901, the river last night slowly subsided.

**Asheville Citizen September 1, 1910**

# TO CELEBRATE LABOR DAY IN W. ASHEVILLE

The people of West Asheville will hold their annual Labor day picnic as usual this year in the grove, and are expecting to make it as successful as these events have been in the past.

While the program has not been fully arranged yet, it will include athletic games, races and sports similar to those of last year. The celebration will last all day and there will be a picnic dinner served. It is expected that all the secret orders and fraternal organizations of the community will unite in the celebration. In the morning there will be speaking and Messrs. Julius C. Martin and Guy Weaver will make addresses.

**Asheville Citizen September 1, 1910**

# COLORED PHYSICIANS WORKING FOR RACE

(Contributed.)

Dr. J. W. Walker gave a most interesting account of the recent Colored National Medical association, which was held at Washington, D. C., recently. From his report, this organization is doing some very aggressive work. At this meeting three important commissions were appointed from some of the ablest men in the profession, to make a thorough study of pellagra, the hookworm and tuberculosis among the colored people in this country. It is believed that much desired information and data can best be secured by thse men who work directly among these people.

Just before the address of Dr. Walker, the general secretary of the Y. M. I. again impressed upon the audience present the importance of making a strong showing on Hospital Sunday. The ministers of the different churches will take the matter up among their members, as heretofore, and although the Y. M. I. is in the midst of a campaign for a new furnace that must be put into the building before cold weather, the entire collection next Sunday will be given to the hospital fund.

Tonight a concert will be given by the "Mid night Sons" for the Y. M. I., and there will be a meeting of the board of directors this afternoon at 3:30.

**Asheville Citizen September 5, 1910**

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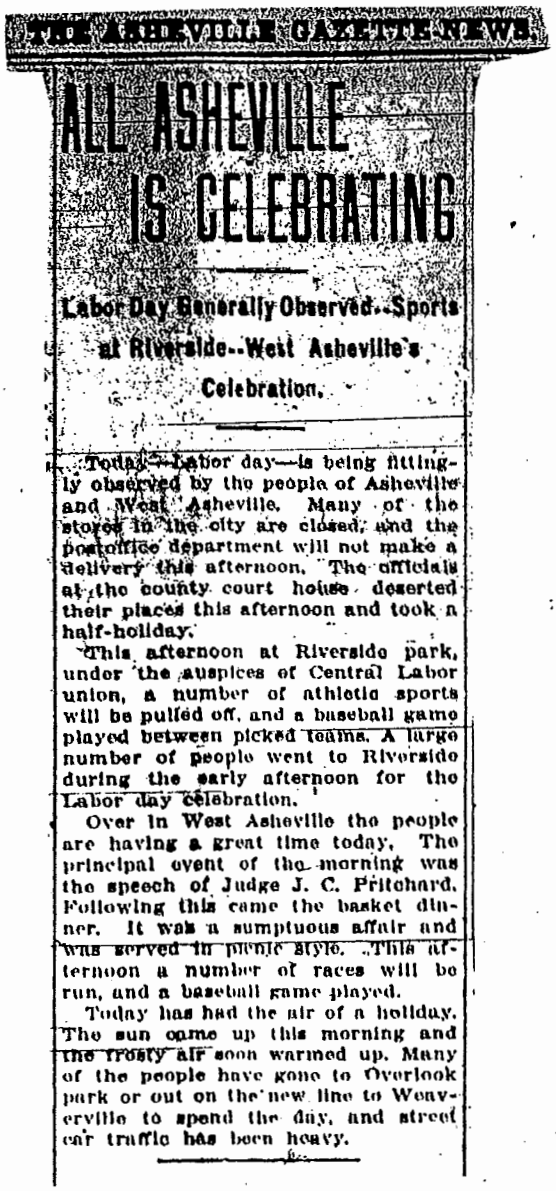

THE ASHEVILLE GAZETTE NEWS.

# ALL ASHEVILLE IS CELEBRATING

## Labor Day Generally Observed--Sports at Riverside--West Asheville's Celebration.

Today—Labor day—is being fittingly observed by the people of Asheville and West Asheville. Many of the stores in the city are closed, and the postoffice department will not make a delivery this afternoon. The officials at the county court house deserted their places this afternoon and took a half-holiday.

This afternoon at Riverside park, under the auspices of Central Labor union, a number of athletic sports will be pulled off, and a baseball game played between picked teams. A large number of people went to Riverside during the early afternoon for the Labor day celebration.

Over in West Asheville the people are having a great time today. The principal event of the morning was the speech of Judge J. C. Pritchard. Following this came the basket dinner. It was a sumptuous affair and was served in picnic style. This afternoon a number of races will be run, and a baseball game played.

Today has had the air of a holiday. The sun came up this morning and the frosty air soon warmed up. Many of the people have gone to Overlook park or out on the new line to Weaverville to spend the day, and street car traffic has been heavy.

**Asheville Gazette September 6, 1910**

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**Asheville Citizen September 6, 1910**

THE ASHEVILLE CITIZEN

# TYING W. ASHEVILLE TO ITS MOTHER CITY

## HIGH BRIDGE RAPIDLY NEARING COMPLETION

### Damage Done by Storm Will Delay Completion Until Near Christmas

The fine weather of yesterday caused many people to inspect the new concrete bridge to West Asheville which spans the French Broad river from a point on the Asheville side on Roberts street near the junction with Jefferson drive and compliments were passed on the substantial character of the work being done by Contractor Clark.

The bridge is practically complete except the main span on the farther side of the stream, and there part of the big arch has its cement in place and the false work used as moulds is ready for the mixture of cement, broken stone and sand which forms the concrete composition. It was expected at first that the bridge would be finished by Thanksgiving day, but the washing away by the big flood of the false work of one arch caused approximately a month's delay, everything considered, and the date of completion is now set for Christmas. The flood incidentally caused a loss of over $3000.

A large part of the street railway track is laid and it is evident that it is there to stay. The steel ties are laid on the original concrete floor and the rails are bolted to these, steel rods being also used at intervales of a few feet to tie the heavy rails together. The ties are then embedded in cement. Between the rails and on the roadway on each side crushed stone is laid to a depth of six inches or so and this is rolled with a twenty ton steam roller just as in macadam. Tarvia will be used to "blind" the macadam. The floor of the bridge will exactly resemble a good macadam road. The street car track will be extended along Roberts street and across the end of the Asheville Dray company property to connect with the existing line where it turns from Depot street toward French Broad avenue. It will be possible by means of a switch for cars to enter the bridge track from either the French Broad-depot line or from the Southside-depot track.

Rapid progress is making in the grading of the car line roadbed from western terminus of the bridge to Jarrett's store, three quarters of a mile distance, which will for the present be the West Asheville terminus. On leaving the bridge the road bed turns southwardly to surmount the hill while the macadam wagon road swings to the Northward to meet the existing macadam leading through West Asheville to Hominy.

Asheville Citizen November 21, 1910

THE ASHEVILLE CITIZEN

# DR. WINTER OPENS STRAWBERRY HILL

## Brought Her Family Down From Philadelphia Saturday In Private Car

Traveling in a private car from Philadelphia, and accompanied by her family and servants numbering eighteen persons altogether, Dr. S. Elizabeth Winter, of Philadelphia, arrived in Asheville Saturday to make her home for the winter in this city. It will be recalled that recently Dr. Winter became the owner of the handsome property in West Asheville known as "Strawberry Hill," obtaining this at a purchase price of about $18,000. Quite a number of improvements have been made in the handsome house. It is the intention of Dr. Winter to make this her winter home in the future.

Last night she stated positively that [redacted] place into a sanitarium. The doctor is the proprietor of a sanitari- [redacted] building there recently burned, and the announcement that the property here had been purchased lead to the surmise that it was the intention to remove the location of the sanitarium to this city. This is denied, Dr. Winter stating that she has no intention of doing this, but that she has rented another building in Philadelphia where her sanitarium will be continued.

The size of her entourage started the report that Strawberry Hill was to be made a sanitarium.

**Asheville Citizen December 12, 1910**

# West Asheville Newspaper Articles

## Articles from 1911

# HAS GOOD PICTURE OF CONCRETE BRIDGE

The Manufacturers' Record of this week carries two excellent pictures of the concrete bridge which connects Asheville and West Asheville, the cuts of which were furnished by the Asheville board of trade. One of the pictures is a side view of the bridge, while the other one is the one which was shown in a recent issue of The Citizen, showing the first automobile to cross the bridge occupied by Dr. A. F. Reeves and the contractor, C. B. Clarke.

**Asheville Citizen January 27, 1911**

THE ASHEVILLE CITIZEN—SATURDAY—FEBRUARY 25, 1911.

# SANITARY DISTRICT IN WEST ASHEVILLE

## BILL FOR SUCH PURPOSE HAS BEEN INTRODUCED

### Town Across French Broad Will Have Modified Form of Commission Government.

A bill has been introduced in the legislature providing for the establishment of a sanitary district including all of West Asheville. Such a district, in case it is established, will be an innovation in this state, there being at the present time no such district in North Carolina. The people of West Asheville are anxious that the bill be passed. It is their desire to be put to no expense in establishing a government for that place but they realize that their sanitary laws should be more stringent. It is desired to provide for a sanitary board which shall be elected each two years, shall be non-partisan, and shall enforce the laws regarding the sanitary conditions. It would have in its charge the cemeteries, sewers, water works and other things coming under the head of the sanitary department.

The district specified in the bill begins at the confluence of the Swannanoa and French Broad rivers, extends up the French Broad to a point near the mouth of Hominy creek, up Hominy creek to a point near Sulphur springs, up a branch to the Southern railway and with the Murphy division east to the French Broad river up the French Broad to the beginning.

The bill as introduced, and which will in all probability pass the legislature, embodies the features of the plan adopted at a mass meeting of the citizens of West Asheville some weeks ago. The act will give the town a commission form of government in a modified form, and the residents of that town feel that they have chosen the best possible method for an efficient and at the same time economical form of local government.

**Asheville Citizen February 25, 1911**

# LEADER OF SOCIALISTS COMING TO ASHEVILLE

## EUGENE V. DEBS WILL SPEAK HERE ON MARCH 20

Eugene V. Debs is to speak in the auditorium on the evening of March 20. Mr. Debs, it will be recalled, has been a candidate for the presidency in the past three elections. He polled in the last election more votes for the socialists than any other socialist candidate for the presidency has ever received. He conducted a spectacular campaign throughout the state of New York, using for illumination red lights and having red bon fires. He is one of the foremost socialists in the United States.

He is a railroad man having been a locomotive fireman. He has served as clerk of the city of Terre Haute, Indiana, his home town, and was a member of the Indiana legislature in 1885. At the time of the great railroad strike in Chicago in 1894, when it became necessary for President Cleveland to call out the United States troops to quell the riots, Mr. Debs was the leader of the strikers and it was largely through his influence that the strike lasted as long as it did. For the part he took in the strike he was tried on a charge of conspiracy but was acquitted. However, during the trial he was sentenced to six months in jail for contempt of court.

He has served as secretary and treasurer of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen and president of the American Railway union.

Mr. Debs has for some time past been conducting a speaking tour through the United States, and great crowds have heard him all over the country. He is a pleasing speaker and will without doubt be heard by a large audience in Asheville.

**Asheville Citizen February 28, 1911**

THE ASHEVILLE CITIZEN

# BINGHAM ISSUES SEASON SCHEDULE

## SOME GOOD BASEBALL GAMES ARE PROMISED.

### Some of the Best Preparatory Schools in the Country on the List.

The Bingham baseball schedule has been announced and shows that some good games are to be played here this season. The schedule includes games with some of the best preparatory schools in this section of the country and schools that usually put out strong teams. The schedule follows:

March 16—Stanley McCormick.
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March 18—Christ school.
March 25—Waynesville high school.
April 1—Christ school.
April 6—Catawba college.
April 7—Catawba college.
April 12—Lenoir college.
April 13—Lenoir college.
April 19—Clemson & Newman colleges.
April 20—Clemson & Newman colleges.
April 21—Wofford college.
April 21—Riverside military academy.
April 22—Riverside Military Academy.
April 24—Riverside Military Academy.
May 1—Elon college.
May 2—Elon college.
May 4—Maryville college.
May 5—Maryville college.

It is probable that other games will be added to the schedule and May 6 and 8 have been left open for any other schools that care to play on those dates. A trip lasting about a week is planned, although the details have not been arranged yet.

The squad of the baseball team is putting in some good practice now and the chances are that Bingham will get out a good strong team this year. About thirty boys are trying for places, and Coach Norton is giving them some good practice work. The catchers will probably be chosen from Allford, Felmet, Cocke and Carter, J. Coach Norton will do the pitching, assisted by a second pitcher. Those who are trying for this position are Hickman, Tabb, Carter, W., and Hood. Leake, who played a star third base last year, will more than likely be shifted to first this season. McElmurray bids fair to retain his place at second base. When not in the box Norton will in all probability play short, although the regular man for this place will be Hickman, who played a classy game last season. Glasgow will play third base and Angler will, no doubt, hold down center field. Mebane, Burns, Roper and Ray are trying for positions in the outfield and are playing good games with that end in view.

The first game on the Riverside diamond was played yesterday afternoon between the 'varsity and the scrubs and, although none of the players were in form a remarkably good game was played. The 'varsity suits have come and are being used. They are very pretty, being a light gray with a "knife-edge" black stripe.

**Asheville Citizen March, 1911**

# WEST ASHEVILLE IS AFTER CHEAP RATES

## Largest Town Without Telephones Cost 100 Each

## Ask West Asheville Company to Install Regular Service Immediately

With a street car line extending well into its limits and its population rapidly growing, West Asheville intends to make its wants and needs known to those who administer to its citizens.

The citizens are making a very great effort to get their telephone service at the rates of service in Asheville. The present rates are $10 for every mile beyond the city limits, in addition to the regular rates. The citizens contend that the number of subscribers has increased so that they deserve regular rates, and the citizens are talking the matter up in an earnest manner with the telephone company. It is understood that the local company promises that if West Asheville will furnish 100 subscribers, the rates will be reduced, while the citizens maintain that they could organize a system of their own at that rate and install a switch board. They believe that they will finally receive the service at regular rates.

The citizens of West Asheville are also asking for street car service after this week. The line has proceeded well over into the town and by the last of the week it is believed that it will have extended around the hill from the new bridge to the main road, which point is about one mile from the bridge. Although the road will continue to Jarretts store, the citizens see no reason why a schedule should not be inaugurated at once, even if not a regular one.

The up-town citizens of West Asheville are also complaining now as to the round-about course of the county road. Long before the bridge was built, the road was constructed. Immediately after crossing the bridge the road takes a short bend and near-cut to the old county road leading out towards Candler. It is a near and convenient route for travel from the Leicester section, but is what the citizens call an elbow route for the greater part of West Asheville, and they claim that a road with a much better grade could be made along the street car line direct to the center of West Asheville and follow the ravine in an almost direct route, thereby saving a distance of about half a mile.

**Asheville Citizen March 1, 1911**

# WESTERN CAROLINA FAIR AT ASHEVILLE

## FIRST STEPS TAKEN TOWARD ITS ESTABLISHMENT

### Proposed to Hold Great Fair for All Western North Carolina Counties

ASHEVILLE, N. C., March 6.—Definite steps were yesterday taken toward the inaugurating of a Western North Carolina fair to be held in Asheville next fall when committees representing the board of trade, the retail merchants association and the United Commercial travelers met in the the office of Mr. H. W. Plummer to discuss the feasibility of the proposition. As a result of the meeting held yesterday some time in the near future there will be called a public meeting of all people of the western counties interested in the matter for the purpose of organizing.

The idea for a great fair for all Western North Carolina is an appealing one, and following the proposal last fall made by the United Commercial travelers to co-operate with the board of trade in the matter it has gradually been gaining in popularity. The idea is to have a fair for not Buncombe county alone, but for all the counties of this section. The people of all will be asked to co-operate fully toward making it a success.

Western North Carolina is particularly rich in those resources which go to make up interesting exhibits at a fair. The fruits of this section long since established a reputation far beyond the borders of the state, Western North Carolina apples having received prizes at the exposition held in Seattle, and also at the exposition held in Paris about ten years ago. At the recent exposition held in Knoxville among the most interesting exhibits were those of the apples of Haywood county.

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The corn contests now being entered into by the farmers, both old and young of Buncombe and adjoining counties will also be a feature. Naturally of course there would be exhibits of household work, all the numerous things which are done in the line of cooking, sewing, and house hold economics in general.

Another thing of considerable importance, and something in which increasing interest is being shown each month, is poultry raising. There has already been started a movement looking toward the holding of a poultry show for all the western counties, and this could be easily combined with the fair to advantage. The movers in this proposition would undoubtedly heartily join in doing all that would be possible for the success of the fair.

Briefly these are some of the things which could be included in the fair in the way of exhibits. Naturally there would be amusements of all sorts, and the fair lasting for four days or a week would be one of general interest not only to the people of the counties participating, but would in addition mean a great deal to all of Western North Carolina in the way of advertising the resources of this section. People can not be attracted here until they are told something of the possibilities here awaiting them, and there is no better way of letting the resources of a section know than through the medium of a successful fair.

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In talking the matter over yesterday it was suggested that much of the first expense could be saved by the use of Riverside park where there are already a number of buildings which could be converted into available ones for the different exhibits. This was only a suggestion and is not definite. If the first definite move toward the establishment of the fair here meets with the proper encouragement there will at the next [illegible] for the purpose of creating an organization to promote the fair.

# ELECTRIC COMPANY PAYS TOWARD BRIDGE

The Asheville Electric company deposited a draft yesterday for $15,000 to the credit of Buncombe county, which covers its share in the construction of the $70,000 concrete bridge connecting West Asheville with Asheville. The county has practically settled for the building of the bridge, but about $8,000 has been reserved until the contractors make final settlement for materials purchased. The bridge has been tested, passed upon and accepted on the strength of the approval of the county's engineer. It is understood that the contractors, C. B. Clarke & Co. will be required to furnish a bond of $10,000 to cover any small differences that may arise by furnishers of materials, etc.

**Asheville Citizen March 10, 1911**

# VIRGINIA FIRM BUYS WEST ASHEVILLE LAND

Lots of Undeveloped Woods Lands on Car Line Sold and Will Be Divided in Lots

As an evidence of their faith in West Asheville property, the Independent Realty company of South Boston, Va., yesterday closed a deal for about ten acres of the Green and Walsh lands, a portion of which lies along the car line of West Asheville. This company has conducted sales of land in this section of various times, and does a general business through out the South. This property will later be sold at public auction. The purchasers have great faith in the future growth of West Asheville and the increasing value of its real estate. The date for the sale of the land has not been announced. Included in the members of the firm are Mr. T. F. Ivey, and Mr. W. D. Hill, of South Boston.

**Asheville Citizen March 24, 1911**

Asheville Citizen March 30, 1911

# ODD FELLOWS HAVE DISTRICT MEETING

Meet in West Asheville—Over Two Thousand Members Contained in This District.

The eighth semi-annual district convention of the nineteenth district of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows held in West Asheville yesterday with Sulphur Springs lodge number 186, proved a greatly enjoyable affair and was largely attended. This is the largest district in the state, having nearly two thousand members and comprising twenty-three lodges situated in the counties of Buncombe, Madison, Henderson, Polk, Transylvania. The reports at the convention yesterday showed that the lodges are in good shape, that the great majority of them are engaged in active work and that all of them save one are in good condition, according to the standards of the order.

The principal feature of the convention was the excellent address delivered by Hon. Frank D Hackett, grand master of the lodge J Scroop Styles also delivered an interesting talk at the afternoon session which was the only one to which the public was admitted. The drill given by the Rebekahs was very pretty and the audience was highly pleased with it They served dinner at 6 30 o'clock, after which the Hamarg lodge of Weaverville gave degree work.

Brevard was chosen as the next meeting place.

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# CHARTER IS RECEIVED FOR WEST ASHEVILLE

## SANITARY COMMISSION TO MANAGE AFFAIRS

### Effective First of June, Suburban City will be Governed Under Provisions of Unique Charter

Mr. R. M. Wells and Mr. J. G. Merrimon, who were named as a committee at a mass meeting in West Asheville to draft a charter for that town are in receipt of a certified copy of the charter as granted by the last session of the legislature. Although there were some changes in the original copy, the authors are able to recognize their novel production, which is probably unlike any charter in the state.

The government, for the citizens of West Asheville will be non-partisan, and inexpensive to a considerable degree, as the officers constituting the sanitary board will not draw a salary.

Though the town is beautifully situated and a very noticeable feature of the growing town is that it will not be a resort for sick people, as it will go on record as prohibiting tubercular patients from dwelling within its borders.

The sanitary board, is to be composed of Mr. Z. T. Ledbetter, Mr. B. B. Jones and Mr. H. A. Brown, also the chairman of the county commissioners. The charter is effective June 1, and these officers will hold office for two years.

The charter is very comprehensive and gives the sanitary board the powers of a board of aldermen of the ordinary town, regulating all sanitary, municipal and financial affairs.

The board will have the power to levy a special tax of not more than 15 cents on the $100 worth of property and 50 cents on each poll, the proceeds to go to the payment of a tax collector and health physician.

**Asheville Citizen April 13, 1911**

# ASHEVILLE MAY SEE SOME REAL AVIATION EXHIBITIONS TUESDAY

## Curtis Biplane Which Will Arrive From Knoxville Today Will Make Ascent From the Baird Meadows

### Much Interest Shown in Promised Flight

Great interest is being manifested by Asheville people in the opportunity to see some real aviation flights near the city next Tuesday afternoon. It is almost an assured fact that the flights will be made. Of course the exhibition will depend entirely upon the question of an advance sale of tickets amounting to $1,000. If this amount of tickets is not sold before next Tuesday, there will be no flight made. The tickets admitting the people to the ground will be in tag form, and only those wearing the tags, which will cost one dollar each, will be allowed to enter the aviation grounds. The field will be patrolled by officers, who will prevent any trespassing.

Although the tickets had not been printed yesterday morning there was a great demand for them and about a hundred paid in subscriptions were received during the day.

Mr. Frank Herbst, of the Curtiss Exhibition company, who has been in the city for the last few days perfecting arrangements for the flight, has selected the Baird meadow, a short distance from Grace, as the place from which the ascents will be made.

Provisions have been made for conveying the passengers over the car line direct to the spot from which the flight will be made.

Lincoln Beachy, who will make the flights, is expected from Knoxville today with his eight-cylinder 60-horse power biplane. He has been conducting flights throughout the country for some time, having recently made several successful flights in North Carolina.

The cut given above is a reproduction of the Curtiss military biplane for which the American government recently placed an order. The machine was delivered last week. It is similar to the one in which J. A. D. McCurdy recently made daring flights around the straits of Florida.

Provisions are being made for reduced rates on the railroads next Tuesday. Placards are being distributed throughout the surrounding towns, and in view of the fact that this is the first opportunity ever offered the people of Asheville to witness thrilling stunts in the air, an enormous crowd is anticipated.

It is highly probable that there will be an hour's intermission between the flights, in order that places of business may remain open and the working force make shifts that would enable all to enjoy the exhibition.

Tickets are on sale at the following places: Candy Kitchen, McKay's Drug store, Raysor's Drug store, Smith's Drug store, Schas' Cigar store, Carmichael's Drug store, Battery Park Cigar stand, Sawyer's garage, Hotel Berkeley and Swannanona hotel.

**Asheville Citizen April 14, 1911**

The Curtis Biplane Which Will Fly in Asheville.

**Asheville Citizen April 14, 1911**

SATURDAY, APRIL 15, 1911

# EVERYBODY IS GOING TO SEE BEACHY FLY

## TICKETS ARE SELLING RAPIDLY FOR GREAT SHOW.

### Special Rates Are Announced from Surrounding Towns and Aviation Is Leading Topic.

The aviation exhibition to be given here next Tuesday afternoon is the all-absorbing topic around the city. In response to a telegram sent to Washington officials Thursday by District Passenger Agent Wood with reference to reduced rates over the Southern from surrounding points, an answer was received yesterday stating that reduced rates would be given from Tryon on the Columbia division; Bushnell on the Murphy branch, Lake Toxaway, Forest City from Rutherford county, and Connelly Springs on the Salisbury division.

The message reads. "Mr J H. Wood, Asheville. Your wire of the 13th received regarding aviation exhibition at Asheville April 18. We are issuing circulars today authorizing reduced fares on basis of four cents per mile, plus 25 cents for round trip, from stations between and including Tryon, Bushnell, Lake Toxaway, Forest City and Connelly Springs. Tickets to be sold 17th and 18th with final limit April 20."

Lincoln Beachy, who will give the exhibition, was expected to arrive yesterday from Knoxville, but owing to a leeway day given on account of the rain he will not arrive until today.

Mr. Frank Harbst, representative of the Curtiss Exhibition company, who has been making arrangements for the flight, feels highly encouraged over the outlook for a flight which will not be made unless $1,000 worth of tickets are sold in advance. A good portion of this amount has been received. The tickets are being sold for $1 each, and those purchasing are assured that there will be no loss provided a sufficient amount is not sold. The board of trade has taken the matter in hand, and is holding the money paid for tickets. In case $1,000 worth are not sold, those purchasing will be refunded the purchase price by the secretary of the board of trade.

Should Tuesday be stormy, there will be a leeway of one day given, and the flights will be given on Wednesday.

Mr. Beachy is winning a reputation as an aviator. Years ago before aeroplanes were popular he was interested in flying balloons. The aviation spirit seized him, and he is spending his entire time at the work.

One of the admirable features of his flights is that he lights within a few inches from the spot from which he makes his ascension. He has never met with any accident of a serious nature, and although he ascends to great heights he always has his eight cylinder 60-horse power biplane under perfect control.

The people of the surrounding country are becoming greatly interested in the exhibition to be given here. Reports are to the effect that immense crowds will attend from all the surrounding towns to witness the first aviation performance ever given in this section.

Arrangements will be made whereby all interested will be able to attend, as there will be an intermission of an hour between the flights.

**Asheville citizen April 15, 1911**

# BUNCOMBE'S POPULATION BY TOWNSHIPS IS GIVEN

## Asheville Township Has Population of 26,944—Leicester Largest Township Outside of City.

The census bureau has at last published the figures showing the population of the counties, towns, townships and the wards of the cities in North Carolina. Buncombe county stands fifth in population among the counties of the state, having inhabitants to the number of 49,798. In 1900 the population of Buncombe was 44,288, and in 1890 it was 35,266.

The population of Asheville township including Biltmore and South Biltmore towns is given as 26,944; in 1900 it was 20,995 and in 1890 it was 14,996. The population of Asheville, which has been given before, is 18,762;; 1900, 14,694; 1890, 10,235. First ward, 3170; second ward, 3713; third ware, 4550; fourth ward, 6042; fifth ward, 656; sixth ward, 631. Biltmore, 173; South Biltmore, 238. In 1900 Biltmore had a population of 71; while South Biltmore is given at 312 so that there has evidently been an exodus from that village.

Black Mountain has a population of 311; Alexander, 118; Leicester, 1534; Arden, 151; Weaverville, 443, which in 1900 was 329. The townships are as follows: Averys Creek, 556; Black Mountain, 1762; Fairview, 1600; Flat Creek, 1152; French Broad 1329; Ivy, 2483; Leicester, 3602; Limestone, 1312; Lower Hominy, 1365; Reems Creek, 2187; Sandy Mush, 1207; Swannanoa, 1875; Upper Hominy, 2424.

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# AVIATOR IS HERE READY FOR FLIGHT

## SALE OF TICKETS INDICATES IMMENSE CROWD.

### Aviation Exhibition Tuesday Promises to Be One of Biggest Events in City for Some Time.

Mr. Lincoln Beachy, who will probably give an aviation exhibition here on Monday afternoon, arrived with his biplane from Knoxville yesterday, where he made several successful flights on Wednesday and Friday, some of which were fully 3,000 feet high. Mr. Beachy yesterday looked over Baird meadow, from where the flights will be made, and was highly pleased with the situation of the grounds, saying that they were in much better shape than the majority of aviation fields.

While in Knoxville he and J. A. D. McCurdy together gave exhibitions, and will join each other again in Nashville on the 27th. Both have the latest types of the Curtiss machines, similar to the one with which Ely made a spectacular flight from land at San Francisco to the battleship Pennsylvania, later making his ascension from the ship and lighting on shore again. Mr. Beachy established his longest flight in Tampa, where he was up in the air about one and one-half hours.

The feature of his flights here will be the thrilling and spectacular exhibitions which he will make, giving thrilling dives, short zigzag, dip-to-dip" motions. In some of his exhibitions he makes daring flights across cities, but in his performance here he will limit himself to circling around several hundred yards distant.

Greater interest is being manifested in the proposed flight from day to day, and according to the sale of the tickets yesterday, it is highly probable that the flights will be made. As stated before, the exhibition will not be given unless an advance sale of $1,000 worth of tickets is made. Yesterday children's tags were printed which will cost only 50 cents. Those in charge of the exhibition announce that they will be in full charge of the grounds on Tuesday, arrangements having been made with Mr. Baird to that effect. Officers will be on hand and only those wearing tags will be admitted to the grounds. A very interesting feature connected with the flights will be the lecture given on the machinery and the anatomy of the big featherless bird, which soars with the gracefulness of an eagle.

The machine, an exact reproduction of which is given elsewhere, weighs 650 pounds. The eight-cylinder 50-horse power engine weighs 225 pounds and drives a seven and one-half foot propeller 1,200 revolutions a minute. While at Pinehurst, Mr. Beachy was accompanied on some of his flights by other persons, who were taking instructions, but in his ordinary exhibitions he flies alone.

**Asheville Citizen April 16, 1911**

# THOUSANDS THRILLED BY DARING FLIGHTS OF BEACHY IN BIPLANE

## Aviator Makes Series of Three Flights in Curtiss Machine Showing Perfect Conquest of Air by Man. Thousands Gazed in Wonder

The aviation exhibition given yesterday by Mr. Lincoln Beachy with a Curtis bi-plane was a great success, and the afternoon of thrilling enjoyment was not marred by a single untoward incident. The weather during the first flight was very favorable, but grew squally before the last two ascensions. The three flights were witnessed by one of the largest crowds ever asembled in this section.

Although the first ascension was not made until four o'clock a flowing stream of people began to make its way to Baird's meadow beyond Grace early in the afternoon in order to be on the grounds at the opening of the exhibition.

Before making the first flight one of the mechanicians gave a lucid and most interesting lecture on the machinery and the art of handling the machine. In his explanation of the bi-plane he first called attention to the eight-cylinder, sixty-horse power engine, which weighs 225 pounds and drives a seven and one-half propeller 1,200 revolutions per minute. The entire machine weighs 650 pounds and its dimensions are about 25 by 30 feet. The running gear of the machine is all in easy reach of the operator, and wires connected to the steering wheel and the front wheel gear regulated the different motions of the rudders, while the tilting of the machine sidewise is regulated by the movement of the shoulders against levers that controlled the side rudders.

### First Ascension.

All was in readiness for the first ascension at four o'clock. The field was thronged with curious spectators who kept close to the machine to learn its every detail. Afar off on the hillsides were to be seen numbers of people who could not enjoy the privilege of examining the simplicity of this wonderful invention but who had a clear vision of the sensational flights.

As the machine, under perfect control of Mr. Beachy, gracefully glided upon the ground for several feet, then soared swiftly into the heavens, there were loud cheers from thousands of throats. The aviator turned his course across the mountain and passed over the field, several hundred feet into the air. For about twelve minutes he circled high and low, covering an estimated distance, ten miles in his swift flight. Having satisfied the people that he had his machine under perfect control he safely landed within a few feet from where he made his ascension.

Again the curious crowd gathered around the aeroplane, but Mr. Beachy in his desire to avoid the rush quietly stole himself away. The second flight was fully as good as the first, but he remained in the air for only about four minutes. The third and last flight was just as interesting as the first and lasted for about six minutes. During the flights Mr. Beachy demonstrated his full control of the machine by giving both high and low flights, sharp curves and sudden dashes, once gliding along over the field about fifteen feet high, then ascending into the air at a height of about 1,000 feet or more, and making a speed of about 60 miles an hour.

### Wind Rises.

After the first flight the winds began to rise gradually, and during the last two, a rising wind was noticeable. Mr Beachy said it was squally at the elevations to which he rose, so much so that the last flights were much more difficult than the first

Field glasses were much in evidence at times, when the machine was so far distant that the form of a man could hardly be recognized by the naked eye. Photographers were also much in evidence, and were making good use of their opportunities of taking snap shots of the machine in motion.

### Frightened the Cows.

An interesting incident during the first flight was the frantic running of a herd of cattle on a large hill as the roaring machine passed over them. Those having field glasses declared that the cattle plunged through a wire fence as if it had been built of paper.

What came near being a serious accident when the first ascension was made, was the falling of a lady and child from a carriage as the frightened horse attempted to bolt. The lady fell on one side of the carriage while the child fell on the other. Neither was hurt, but barely they escaped being trampled upon by the frightened animals.

The attendance at the exhibition was estimated at about 4,000. Many people witnessed the flight from Asheville, as the machine was seen by many who remained in the city. People from the surrounding country and near-by towns attended the exhibition in large numbers.

**Asheville Citizen April 19, 1911**

# SALE OF REAL ESTATE IN WEST ASHEVILLE

**Choice Residential Lots Will Be Placed on Sale at Auction on the Twenty-Ninth.**

Mr. T. F. Fry, president of the Realty Investors company of Virginia, is expected to arrive in the city this morning to prepare for the auction of residential lots in West Asheville. A force of hands has been busy for several days clearing off the land to be sold. Some very choice lots will be offered for sale and within a short distance of the street car line. Considerable interests has been taken in this sale, as some of the property is very desirably located and in view of the fact that West Asheville will soon be connected with Asheville by electric cars. It is likely that the lots will bring interesting prices.

**Asheville Citizen April 20, 1911**

# Own Your Own Home

## "IT'S EASY"

AUCTION SALE OF

## 100 RESIDENCE LOTS 100

WEST ASHEVILLE — SATURDAY, APRIL 29, 10.30 A. M.

REMEMBER, WE WILL SELL THESE LOTS FOR JUST WHAT YOU BID. A MAN WILL BE ON THE GROUNDS SUNDAY TO TELL YOU ALL ABOUT THE LOTS. GUESS ON THE PRIZE LOTS. IT'S FREE. A GOLD WATCH WORTH $25.00 WILL BE GIVEN TO THE PERSON WHO GUESSES NEAREST WHAT THE PRIZE LOT WILL BRING. A $25.00 CHEST OF SILVER WARE WILL BE GIVEN TO THE PERSON WHO GUESSES NEAREST WHAT THE BUNGALOW SITE WILL BRING.

INVESTOR'S REALTY COMPANY

Asheville Gazette News April 22, 1911

# WEST ASHEVILLE CAR LINE'S READY

## Will Begin Tomorrow Operation of Regular Schedule Between Pack Square and Jarrett Store.

## THE FARE WILL BE 5 CENTS WITHOUT TRANSFER PRIVILEGE

### Except in City Limits—Half-Hour Trips on Week Days, from 5:52 a. m. Until 8:22 p. m.

Effective tomorrow the West Asheville line of the Asheville Electric company will be formally opened to the public and electric car service established between Pack square in Asheville and West Asheville. The cars will go over the recently completed concrete bridge across the railroad tracks and the French Broad river and the permanent service that will be maintained will greatly convenience the residents of the thriving suburb of West Asheville. West Asheville now has a population of between 3000 and 4000; it has waterworks and a sewerage system and recently received from the state of North Carolina a municipal sanitary charter which becomes effective July 1.

The running of a passenger trolley car into West Asheville tomorrow will be the first car of the kind in several years. Before the Sulphur Springs hotel was burned, a number of years ago, electric cars were operated from Asheville to the hotel, but over a different route from the present. The cars then crossed what was known as Carrier's bridge, further up the river from the present concrete bridge, and followed closely the river. After the hotel was burned the line was operated for a time but it was a losing proposition and was soon abandoned. The rails, wires, poles and other apparatus were removed and some time since the bridge was sold to the county. It is probable that in the near future the present line into West Asheville will be extended and that within a few years or possibly sooner, the people of that section of Buncombe county will have the privilege of electric service into Asheville.

The following schedule of West Asheville cars will be inaugurated:

Cars will leave Pack square Sunday at 8:52 a. m. via Southside avenue and every half hour thereafter until 8:22 p. m.; then every hour until 10:22, last car from square. Returning leave West Asheville 10:52, arriving square 11:22.

Week days car leaves square 5:52 a. m., and every half hour until 8:22 p. m.; then hourly until 10:22, last car for West Asheville. Returning arrive at square 11:22.

Cars will run through trips between square and Jarrett's store via Southside avenue. Rate of fare five cents or one ticket, but no transfer privileges, except within city limits. That is, inbound passengers from West Asheville will not be entitled to transfer except upon payment of additional fare. Passengers outbound, boarding this car with proper transfer will be entitled to ride to bridge, when another fare must be paid to continue trip to West Asheville.

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# GREAT CROWD WENT OVER THE NEW LINE

## Opening of West Asheville Line Sunday Signal for Rush to the Suburb.

The West Asheville line of the Electric company was thrown open to passenger traffic yesterday and it is estimated that fully 2000 people took occasion to visit the attractive suburb across the French Broad river. The cars were sent over the new high concrete bridge and to the terminus at Jarrett's store in West Asheville every 30 minutes during the day. While large crowds visited the pretty little village in the afternoon and it became necessary for the company to operate three cars at a time to accommodate the throngs. At times during the afternoon Pack square resembled a circus day so great was the crowd waiting to board a trolley car.

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# WEST ASHEVILLE WAS POPULAR YESTERDAY

**Over Two Thousand People Took Advantage of Car Service to Visit Attractive Suburb.**

Never before in the history of West Asheville was such a large number of people assembled in its limits as was seen there throughout yesterday, hundreds of whom visited for the first time Asheville's attractive and rapidly growing suburb across the French Broad river.

With the announcement that the Asheville Electric company would inaugurate passenger service over the line yesterday, many people were seized with the desire to visit West Asheville, which proved to be Asheville's playground yesterday. During the early part of the day, a large number of passengers took a pleasure ride over the line. The number steadily increased until it was necessary to add an extra car to the two sections composing the half hour schedule. Soon after the noon hour it became necessary to add two more cars on the line, and the crowds that gathered on the square to await accommodations were somewhat similar to those that gather to attend a circus or aviation exhibition. For several hours in the afternoon three cars in each of the two sections were crowded with pleasure riders. After loafing for a short while at the terminus at West Asheville, the passengers returned to the city. It was estimated that fully two thousand people visited West Asheville yesterday.

**Asheville Citizen April 24, 1911**

# SUIT BEGUN AGAINST BRIDGE CONTRACTORS

## COAL COMPANY SUES FOR OVER THOUSAND DOLLARS.

### Alleged That Clark & Co., Who Built Great Bridge Over French Broad, Still Owes for Stone.

The first litigation over the $70,000 new concrete bridge across French Broad river has been instituted by the French Broad Quarry Building & Material company through its attorneys, Moore & Rollins, against C B Clark, doing business as C B Clark & Co., for a contracted debt of $1,620 15, for crushed stone used in the erection of the bridge in 1910. The plaintiff company alleges that this amount is the balance due on account as per contract for crushed stone over and above all credits and counter claims. Affidavits made shows that the defendant resides in Maryland but has property in Buncombe county.

Clerk of the Court Marcus Erwin has issued a warrant of attachment against the property of the defendant requiring him to appear at the May term of court and enter demurer or make answer to the complaint. The board of county commissioners also have been ordered to appear before the May term of court and show what effects, if any, of the defendant is in their possession.

In the recent settlement with the builders of the bridge, the county commissioners retained about $5,000, pending any litigations that should arise.

**Asheville Citizen April 25, 1911**

# AUCTION SALE

## Saturday, April 29th at 10:30 A. M.

100 Residential Lots to be sold to the highest bidder in the fast growing suburb, West Asheville. This property is situated on the new car line of the Asheville Electric Company, is high, dry, well drained and an ideal location to build a home, affording country environments with city conveniences.

These lots will be sold at public outcry for just what they'll bring on the following terms: One Fifth cash, balance in equal payments with interest at 3, 6, 9 and 12 months.

The public is cordially invited to inspect this property before date of sale, as the lots and streets are all layed out and everything is in readiness. This sale affords an exceptional opportunity for both speculative investment and for home seekers alike.

### Guess on the Prize Lots. It Won't Cost You One Cent

A gold watch, worth $25.00, will be given to the person who guesses nearest what the prize lot will bring. A chest of silverware, worth $25.00, will be given to the person who guesses nearest what the Bungalow site will bring.

## Investor's Realty Company

**Asheville Citizen April 26, 1911**

# WEST ASHEVILLE LOT SALE

## TIME: TOMORROW, SATURDAY, APRIL 29th

## Free Street Car Tickets Round Trip——100 Lots Auction 100 Lots

Everybody is talking about the beautiful subdivision, "West Asheville Heights," that has been subdivided into Villa sights and lots. They will be sold tomorrow for the high dollar. Don't miss this chance.

**TERMS OF SALE—JUST STOP AND THINK—ONE-FIFTH CASH, BALANCE 3, 6, 9, 12 MONTHS**

### FREE TO EVERYBODY

A gold watch, worth $25.00, will be given to the person who guesses nearest what the prize lot will bring. A chest of silverware, worth $25.00, will be given to person who guesses what the Bungalow site will bring—Free to everybody.

### BAND CONCERT

On the Square 9 a. m. Saturday morning, our representatives will meet you there with free round-trip street car tickets for all. Or call today for tickets at Green Bro.'s store. Ladies invited to attend; they have chance to guess for the presents.

**ALL TICKETS GOOD AFTER 9 A. M. WE WILL SELL RAIN OR SHINE**

## Investor's Realty Company

Asheville Citizen April 28, 1911

# WEST ASHEVILLE THE PLAYGROUND

## Thousands of People Weekly Go Over the River on the New Line for a Day's Outing.

## DELIGHTFUL RIDE AND SCENERY FROM CAR WINDOW UNEXCELLED

### Glimpses of the Vanderbilt Mansion and Pisgah on Outward Run and Craggy Returning.

West Asheville, since the extension by the Asheville Electric company of its electric system into that delightful suburb, has come to be known as "Asheville's playground."

The inauguration of the new line into West Asheville a couple of weeks ago was the signal for a great rush of travel to and from that rapidly growing village. Asheville people crowded the cars while West Asheville people did the same. At first the Asheville Electric company required a straight fare of 5 cents to West Asheville. Subsequently, however, a rule was adopted by the company to the effect that transfers from any line in Asheville to West Asheville would be accepted. This simply meant and means today that for the first time in the history of this section of North Carolina 5 cents will buy a seven-mile ride. That the people of Asheville and the people of West Asheville appreciate this service is evidenced every day and especially on Sundays. Last Sunday was the first time that the transfer privilege became effective; also the 15-minute schedule. The 15-minutes schedule, incidentally, proved inadequate and the company was forced during the afternoon to operate two, three and four cars every trip. It is estimated that several thousand of people went to West Asheville last Sunday.

#### Delightful Ride.

The ride from Asheville to West Asheville is a delightful one. The Asheville Electric company has placed on the line some of its best equipment while the road-bed is well ballast and of easy grade. Cars glide over the rails without a jar while the scenery en route is just about as attractive as may be found anywhere hereabouts. En route to West Asheville one has a splendid view of the Vanderbilt mansion and the Biltmore estate surrounding; also the mountains to the west including Pisgah and the "Bat." The terminus of the line is at Jarrett's store and there one may glance toward the west and view fertile valleys and on further, at this season of the year, the ranges of mountains in their spring attire. Returning the mountains to the east rise in their majesty and present a pleasing picture. At intervals one catches a glimpse of Craggy with always the nearer ranges presenting a delightful view.

#### The Service.

The service that the Asheville Electric company has inaugurated between Asheville and West Asheville is almost as complete as the service on any line in this city of more than 20,000 people. Persons coming into Asheville from West Asheville have an early car while those from Asheville desiring to go from here to West Asheville for a day's work, perhaps, have a car in ample time for their work-hour. Cars are operated from early in the morning until late at night and a more convenient schedule could hardly be desired. This the line will prove not only a paying proposition to the Elec company in the near future but a great convenience to the people across the river is certain. It has already added greatly to the value of property in West Asheville and a building boom in that vicinity is expected this summer and fall. West Asheville has long needed a car service. It has that service today and the Asheville Electric company is to be congratulated upon the long step forward that it has taken.

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# TWO ELECTRIC LINES IMPROVE CAR SERVICE

## Hourly Schedule on Weaverville Line and 15-Minute Schedule to West Asheville.

Greater convenience to the public was inaugurated yesterday on the Weaverville car line and on the line of the Asheville Electric company to West Asheville when an hourly schedule between Asheville and Weaverville was put into commission and a 15-minute schedule installed between Asheville and West Asheville. The efforts of the Asheville Electric company and the Asheville & East Tennessee Railroad company, which operates the Weaverville line, to give the public the best possible service was evidently appreciated by the people. The cars of both lines were most liberally patronized during the entire day . This service on the Weaverville line and the West Asheville line will be maintained during the summer and possibly the year 'round.

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# INTERESTING TALK AT BINGHAM SCHOOL

**Prof. Lomax Gives Entertaining Lecture on the Minstrelsy of the Cowboys.**

The Bingham school has recently had an instructive lecture from Prof. J. A. Lomax, late of the Texas A. and M. college, and now associate professor of English at the University of Texas. Prof. Lomax has won a master of arts degree at Harvard and has been appointed a "Sheldon fellow" in that university for "investigation of American ballads."

In this state he has visited Bingham and will, before he leaves North Carolina, visit Trinity college and the University of North Carolina. He goes to LaFayette college and the University of Pennsylvania from this state. He has engagements to speak also at Cornell, Columbia, Amherst, Yale, Harvard and the University of Vermont.

At Bingham Prof. Lomax dealt with the cowboy songs in a most interesting and entertaining way. His audience was delighted with the address and great interest was shown in his words. The literary merit of the cowboy songs is surprising, but Prof. Lomax explained this by saying that many graduates of our best colleges become cowboys for their health by "roughing it" in the open; for the love of adventure and mystery of the great plains, and for many other causes. Many of the most prominent and substantial citizens of the frontier and many back in the old states lay the foundations of their fortunes "punching cattle" on the plains. President Roosevelt himself sought and secured health and physical vigor by several years of cowboy life.

Prof. Lomax stated that he is desirous of rescuing this unique mass of border minstrelsy from the devouring tooth of civilization through which the coyote, the wolf, the cowboy and the other wild things of the plains must soon become things of the past as the buffalo and the Indian of the plains have already become.

**Asheville Citizen May 10, 1911**

# SANITARY CHARTER FOR WEST ASHEVILLE JUNE 1

## On and After That Date Town Will Have Novel Form of Government— New Park in the Town.

According to the provisions of the charter given by the last legislature, incorporating the town of West Asheville as a sanitary district, the novel government of that town will begin June 1 and the sanitary board will meet at that time for the purpose of organization. The board consists of B. B. Jones, H. A. Brown and Z. T. Ledbetter, with the chairman of the board of county commissioners as an ex-officio member.

While the method of government is different from any that is known, it is doubtful if the results will be, or are intended to be, other than those sought by many other towns, the idea seeming to be to make unnecessary a costly administrative machine. The charter has been approved by the state board of health and there are a number of places that are interested in the outcome of this method of government and many inquiries have been received respecting it. It is thought that the method will be very popular with places like cotton mill communities after it has been tried.

The board has the power to make ordinances not only for the maintainance of health but for the regulation of the moral condition of the town; they are allowed to hire an officer to keep down disorder; in fact the principal desire of the citizens seems to be to have a clean orderly town which they think can be accomplished with less friction in this way. The board also has in hand the construction of streets and the regulation of the water system.

The people are very much interested in the park, which is being constructed at the terminus of the car line by the Asheville Electric company. This park is to be for the use of white people and the walks are now being laid out. It will be about three acres in extent and provision will be made for the comfort and amusement of the public.

It is said that there is to be a merry-go-round, while a dancing pavilion may possibly be erected though there is no definite information in regard to this.

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# GOOD WATER SUPPLY FOR WEST ASHEVILLE

## BOOMING SINCE CAR LINE HAS BEEN EXTENDED.

### Gravity Line Being Installed May Be Completed In Next Sixty Days.

Following close upon the adoption of a charter for West Asheville, and the advent of the electric car line comes the installation of a system for a more abundant water supply from Yadir mountain.

Since the installment of water works in West Asheville, the town has been supplied with water forced by pumps from springs within or near the city limits. Although the supply has at all times been sufficient for the town's consumption, owing to the great boom recently given West Asheville by the prospect of a car line from the town to Asheville, resulting in the erection of scores of buildings within the city limits, it is deemed wise to prepare for a greater West Asheville by a more abundant water supply.

The Buckeye Water company of West Asheville, of which Rutherford P. Hayes is president, has been supplying the town with water for several years. This company began work last week on a gravity line leading from Yadir mountain which is about four miles from West Asheville. Mr. Hayes stated yesterday that the work would be pushed to rapid completion, and that he thought within sixty days the line would be complete and in shape to supply the town with water. The Buckeye Water company owns a reservation of about 200 acres of land surrounding the water shed. The pipes will lead from a number of springs to the town, and it is estimated that the supply will be approximately 200 gallons per minute.

**Asheville Citizen June 5, 1911**

# ALMOST CERTAINTY FAIR WILL BE A GO

## Only Seventy-Three More $10 Subscriptions Will Be Necessary to Secure It.

Although only a portion of the committee recently named from the commercial organizations of the city to solicit subscriptions for $2,000 worth of stock for the proposed Western North Carolina fair has been working for the last three days, at a meeting of the workers behind the movement yesterday it was shown that more than half of the required amount had been subscribed to, and that there remains only seventy-three more $10 shares to be sold before the fair is beyond the dream stage.

It was recently proposed that committees solicit subscriptions to $2,000 worth of stock, each share being valued at $10 the agreement not to be binding until the full amount is subscribed to.

It is understood that Patton avenue has not even been partially worked, neither have the members of the ladies been solicited. Those behind the movement feel confident of securing the required support without difficulty. As an indication of the interest taken in the movement by citizens of Asheville, who believe that the fair will be a good paying proposition, two shares have been subscribed to by the same citizen.

The committee has signified its intention of pushing the subscription works as much as possible until the amount is raised, as plans for the fair embracing such a large territory have to be laid before many more days in order to assure a success. Some of the members of the committee have as yet been unable to devote any time to the work.

It is highly probable that $2,000

**Asheville Citizen June 6, 1911**

# LIQUOR FOR THE FISHES IN THE FRENCH BROAD

## Seized "Wet Goods" to Be Taken to the High Bridge Tomorrow and Given to the Fish.

## SOME TIME WILL BE REQUIRED TO DISPOSE OF ALL THE GOODS

### Special Care Will Be Taken That None of the Liquor Escapes—Large Crowds Are Expected.

Gloom as thick as the proverbial London fog hangs o'er the thirsty ones in Asheville today. They are in sack cloth and ashes and refuse to be comforted. Liquor—good liquor—is to be wasted; destroyed, dumped into the French Broad river for the fishes while man — mere man — wobbles around longing for a "nip."

The deferred blow has fallen. It has been ordered and decreed by Judge Adams of the Municipal court that all the "wet" goods seized and confiscated and not accepted, upon tender by the erstwhile owners, by the Mission hospital, shall be taken to the new high bridge across the river tomorrow morning and there poured into the historic waters of the French Broad. The occasion will be one of interest and doubtless hundreds of people will find their way to the spot to witness the "slaughter." The Asheville Electric company has arranged to provide ample cars for the crowds and the long bridge will in all probability bear the weight of more human beings tomorrow morning than at any one time since its construction.

Judge Adams at first fixed the time for the destruction of the liquor for 3 o'clock but later changed the time to before noon and it is likely that the little affair will be pulled off immediately after the adjournment of court, about 10 or 11 o'clock.

There are between 10 and 15 barrels of the liquor and beer and ale to be made away with and since it is in bottled goods and in pint and half-pint flasks, and every bottle must be broken separately, some time will naturally be required to dispose of all the stuff. Judge Adams has not yet officially designated the "bottle smasher" but it is probable that one of the officers will be chosen and that while he is arduously engaged in the work other police will be on duty guarding the unspilled liquor.

**Asheville Gazette News June 6, 1911**

# 4000 BOTTLES OF BOOZE SMASHED

## Hundreds of People, Including Many Ladies, See Intoxicants Consigned to Waters of the French Broad.

## MANY W.C.T.U. MEMBERS AND SEVERAL POLICE PRESENT

### Ladies Aid in Tossing "Wet Goods" from the New Bridge—Boy Leaps in After Bottle of Ale.

IN the presence of a large crowd of people, assembled on the new high bridge across the French Broad river, including many members of the Asheville W. C. T. U., police officers and Judge Junius G. Adams of the City police court, and numbering perhaps several hundreds, between 3500 and 4000 bottles of intoxicants recently seized under the search and seisure law and ordered destroyed, were smashed against the central pier of the bridge and the liquid sent on its way down the historic French Broad to the Gulf of Mexico.

The destroying of the thousands of bottles of corn whiskey, beer, ale brandy and gin was an interesting and novel affair. It was at once an occasion of gladness for the good women of Asheville, who have labored many years for the banishment and destruction of liquor, and a cruel moment for the thirsty, who recently have been deprived even of their "mornin's mornin'." Especially for the members of the W. C. T. U. was the destruction of the whiskey an event. It brought to them much happiness to see bottle after bottle of the fiery fluid flunk over the concrete railing of the bridge and smashed against the great pier at the water's edge. And they were participants, too. The officers in charge of the affair courteously asked the ladies to assist in the "slaughter" and they gladly accepted the invitation. Incidentally not one bottle thrown by the ladies "missed fire." They all hit the "bull's eye" every crack and a smile o'erspread their faces as the sound of broken glass reached their ears and the "fire-water" went trickling into the river.

**Swims After Bottle of Ale.**

With the announcement yesterday that the seized whiskey would be destroyed this morning at the high bridge, crowds of people went by trolley car to the scene, while several persons of the vicinity secured small boats and paddled into the stream in the hope, perhaps, that some of the bottles would escape destruction and they would get the liquor. In this conjecture they were not mistaken, since several of the bottles thrown at the pier did miss. One small urchin, it is said, stood watching on the bank of the stream and when a bottle of ale failed to break he plunged into the water after it. It is said that he finally succeeded in "cabbaging" it somewhere down the stream, below the bridge.

**Col. Lusk Not Present.**

When the two-horse wagons hauling the "wet" goods reached the point of "destruction," the officers, the ladies and Judge Adams were already there and likewise a goodly crowd of men and boys, black and white. Col. Lusk, head of the Law Enforcement league, and the able prosecutor of liquor cases, was not present. While several of the ladies of the W. C. T. U. requested the colonel to be present he courteously declined, saying that his part in the matter was ended. Sergeant McDowell was the first officer to break a bottle. After the first crash, bottle after bottle from the hands of Police Captain Lominac and Captain Williams, Patrolmen Conder, Nowell and Murdock and others went hurling through the air and landed against the concrete base to be broken into ten thousand fragments. The ladies present then began throwing the bottles and the work continued until the last bottle had been broken. It required about 45 minutes to destroy the intoxicants. When the affair was over a group photograph of the members of the W. C. T. U. and the officers engaged in the work was taken. Judge Adams, however, "ducked" this little part of the program.

**"So Near and Yet So Far."**

Several amusing incidents occurred during the "ceremony." Once while the "slaughter" was on one of the officers espied a man in a boat beneath the bridge, waiting for a possible "miss," who, he believed, had been implicated in a recent robbery. He confided this information to Judge Adams and asked the judge whether he could arrest the man without a warrant. The court said yes, and the officer set about in an effort to draw the man to shore by baiting him with a bottle of liquor. The fellow, it is said, just "nibbled," but refused to bite.

After the whiskey had been destroyed a mule driven to a scraper by a negro laborer went near the end of the bridge and, stopping, brayed several times. The negro, in a disgusted tone of voice, yelled at the mule and said: "Shut up, you mule. You needn't to holler; it's all gone."

**The "Escaped" Bottles Finally Destroyed.**

Those in boats who had witnessed the throwing away of the whiskey went to work to fish the unbroken bottles from the river when the crowd dispersed and succeeded in picking up a number of bottles. Captain Lominac determined to carry out his instructions to see that all the whiskey was destroyed, went to the water's edge and destroyed the liquor in one boat. The boatsman agreed to take the officer in his boat, a very small affair, to the pier, that the remainder of the unbroken bottles might be smashed. The officer and boatsman started and when about midway the boat sank in probably three feet of water. The officer, however, waded to the pier and before returning to shore broke every bottle that had been captured by the fellows beneath the bridge.

Asheville Gazette News, June 7, 1911

# ASHEVILLE TODAY IS ENTIRELY DRY

## First Time In History of City no Intoxicants Can Be Legally Sold.

## LAW GIVES THE COMMISSIONERS POWER TO REFUSE DRUG STORES

### The Druggist Who Took Out $1000 City Licence Notified This Afternoon Not to Sell.

For the first time in the history of Asheville not a drop of intoxicating liquors could be sold, legally, in Asheville today—on prescription or otherwise. Since prohibition became effective nearly four years ago whiskey could only be sold legally by drug stores on prescription of reputable physicians. That privilege is now abated—for the time at least. When the board of aldermen recently fixed the annual license tax on drug stores handling spirits at $1000 it was generally understood that upon the payment of this tax and the state and county tax drug stores could go ahead and sell on prescription without consulting the board of county commissioners. That is the way it was done during the past fiscal year. Yesterday, however, County Attorney J. E. Swain and Judge Junius G. Adams looked up the law and found that it was within the discretion of the county commissioners to refuse to grant drug stores the privilege of handling liquor; and, further, that any drug store proprietor applying for license must be a qualified voter and must have a good moral character. Also the applicant must be an individual and not a corporation. In view of the fact that one Asheville druggist had taken out city license and to sell on prescription but had not been before the county commissioners Judge Adams instructed the chief of police to notify the proprietor that he could not legally sell on prescription until the commissioners had acted. This drug store is the only one that has taken out city license and with the notification that he cannot sell for the present at least Asheville is today perhaps the "driest" town or city in the south. Just what action the commissioners will take in the premises is not known. Some profess to believe that the commissioners will refuse each and every applicant "in their discretion" while others say that the licenses will be issued to the proper persons.

Late this afternoon the druggist who secured city licenses was securing six endorsers to his application to the commissioners for license. It is probable that the application will be acted upon before the commissioners adjourn this afternoon.

Asheville Gazette News June 7. 1911

# HIGHEST HEAT RECORD OF THE WEATHER BUREAU

## Old-Timers Say Yesterday Was Hottest Day in Asheville in at Least Quarter Century.

Yesterday was the hottest day in Asheville since the establishment of the local weather bureau, nine years ago. That was the statement made by the bureau this morning, the official temperature record being given at 92. The nearest approach to yesterday's temperature was on July 9, 1907, when the mercury reached 91.

While the weather bureau records only go back to 1902 old-timers who give attention to weather conditions today declared that yesterday was the hottest day in Asheville for at least a quarter of a century. Incidentally, there was a considerable range in temperature from the minimum to the maximum and while late yesterday afternoon was uncomfortably hot except along the river banks or in the cool shade of spreading oaks, last night was very comfortable and before midnight a blanket was needed to drive away the chill. The minimum temperature during the past 24 hours ending at 8 o'clock this morning, was 63.

While the record for high temperature was smashed in Asheville yesterday the people in this mountain metropolis fared much better than the millions of other people throughout these United States of America. In Washington, which won second place for heat, all records were broken for the past 30 or 40 years, the temperature rising to 102—and congress in session. In North Carolina Charlotte, with a temperature of 98, sidestepped for Raleigh, where the mercury climber to an even century. Phoenix reported 100, Spokane 100, Augusta 98, Knoxville 96, Atlanta 96, Wilmington 94, Jacksonville 94, and Charleston 94.

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JUNE 27, 1911

# HEALTH FARM WILL SOON BE A REALITY

## O. B. SCHOENFELD, ALL-ROUND ATHLETE, WILL BUILD IT.

### Will Be at Sulphur Springs and Copied After Muldoon's Place in New York.

A definite decision has been reached by O. B. Schoenfeld to establish a "health farm" at his handsome Sulphur Springs property in West Asheville. Incidental to this, Mr. Schoenfeld has begun work of improvement already.

The health farm will be modelled largely after that of Professor Muldoon in New York state, which has won a wide reputation for effective results, particularly in cases of nervous breakdowns, defective assimilation, etc. For that matter Mr. Schoenfeld will not lack reputation for the start since he is known as one of the greatest all round athletes in America. For years he has been at New Orleans at the head of the largest athletic club in the south. It is Mr. Schoenfeld's plan to have a large concrete platform for use in bad weather with apartments above it and to build several bungalows for families. The water will play a part in the curative treatment and workmen are now enlarging the several springs whose water will be panned in concrete basins. As a novelty, a tunnel some twenty-five feet long will be dug into the hillside to the source of one spring. Excavations show an unusual rock of greenish color, spangled with mica and it is believed that when electrically lighted it will furnish a novelty in colors.

The property comprises several hundred acres, beautifully situated and easily accessible to the city by street car and macadam road. Mr. Schoenfeld goes today to New Orleans to bring his family here, where he will make his permanent home.

**Asheville Citizen June 27, 1911**

# HEARTY SUPPORT TO MOVEMENT FOR FAIR

## FIFTEEN DIRECTORS NAMED IN PERMANENT ORGANIZATION.

### By Support of All Farmers of This Section It Can Be Made Signal Success.

At the meeting of the stockholders and others interested in the proposed Western North Carolina fair, yesterday at the court house, a permanent organization was perfected and notice given of another meeting next Thursday at 4 o'clock at the rooms of the board of trade.

Temporary Chairman H. W. Plummer called the meeting to order. Geo. S. Powell was elected president of the association. Mr. Powell, in his brief remarks, said that he could see no reason why such an undertaking as proposed could not be made a success as this section has the people, the brains, and the material that go to make a successful fair, pledging his hearty support to the movement.

R. M. Wells, J. W. Neely, R. P. Hayes, H. H. Clayton and E. D. Weaver were appointed as a committee to nominate fifteen members as directors of the organization, these to be authorized with the power to select twenty-five others, making a board of forty directors. These will be elected from all parts of Buncombe county, but in order that a meeting can be called without long notice with a quorum present a number of these will be known as honorary or advisory directors. The object is to have as many active directors near Asheville as possible so that there will not be much difficulty in getting a quorum.

Following are the fifteen directors, who were elected at this meeting: H. W. Plummer, George S. Powell, W. B. Williamson, J. A. Nichols, F. R. Hewitt, D. Harris, W. R. Whitson, C. Sawyer, Dr. W. P. Whittington, Geo. S. Arthur, E. D. Weaver, R. C. Clayton, J. W. Rutherford, E. W. Patton and J. E. Rankin.

At the meeting on Thursday the board will present for adoption a constitution, set of by-laws, and a charter.

The charter, it is understood, has been approved by the secretary of state and the attorney general. The charter is a most comprehensive one and gives the fair association much authority. "It covers the face of the earth," said R. M. Wells, who was instrumental in preparing it.

The new organization feels highly encouraged over the prospects of the proposed fair, believing that by the support of the farmers it can be made a signal success. Those attending from different parts of the county announced that the farmers were taking to the proposition with great enthusiasm.

**Asheville Citizen July 2, 1911**

# W. N. C. FAIR ASSOCIATION HAS TAKEN OUT CHARTER

## $25,000 Capital Is Authorized; $10,000 Has Already Been Subscribed

RALEIGH, N. C., July 3.—The Western North Carolina Fair association, incorporated, Asheville, was chartered today with $25,000 capital authorized and $10,000 subscribed by one hundred citizens of Asheville in shares of $10 each, many taking more than one share. D. Harris and R. I. Fitzpatrick were among the incorporators. The association will maintain annual fairs at Asheville to exploit western Carolina resources and progress.

Another notable charter is the King Lime and Fertilizer Co., Brevard, capital, $250,000 authorized, and $52,000 subscribed by Thomas S. Rhinman, R. Mazoo Cleveland and others.

Asheville Citizen July 4, 1911

# CONCERT CLASS WILL SING IN W. ASHEVILLE

The concert class from the Odd Fellows Orphan home of Goldsboro, passed through the city on No. 12 yesterday en route to Hot Springs, where they gave a concert last night to a large and appreciative audience. They will return to Asheville on the Carolina Special today and will give a concert at West Asheville Saturday night at the Odd Fellows' hall and at the Auditorium this city, Monday night.

The children at the orphans' home at Goldsboro receive excellent training in music as well as other things and some of the members of this class have exceptionally well-trained voices. Two of the girls will sing in two of the principal churches of this city Sunday. Tickets are on sale at Bargee's cigar store, Whitlock's clothing store and Walker's and Curtright's pharmacies.

The proceeds will go for the benefit of the orphanage.

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JULY 7, 1911.

# W. N. C. FAIR WILL BE HELD OCT. 24 TO 27

## DATES AGREED UPON AT EN-THUSIASTIC MEETING.

### Directors Transact Much Business, Including Committee to Decide Upon Quarters.

An enthusiastic meeting of the board of directors of the Western North Carolina Fair association met at the board of trade rooms yesterday afternoon and discussed plans for the proposed fair, which it has been decided to hold on October 24-27, inclusive. This time was decided upon, in case it is found that it will not conflict with the dates of the Haywood, Jackson and McDowell county fairs.

Books containing premium lists and general information of different fairs in the state were looked over by the directors and discussed, the same being held for future information.

President G. S. Powell reported that there would be a meeting of the county school board, committees of the various schools and their teachers at the court house at 11.30 o'clock on the last Saturday in this month, stating that he would bring the matter before them in order that the fair proposition might be agitated in the schools of the county.

E. D. Weaver was appointed first vice president of the association, Robert C. Clayton receiving the appointment of second vice president. D. Harris was appointed treasurer.

President Powell, H. W. Plummer and Dr. W. P. Whittington were named as a committee to select office quarters, a secretary and a stenographer.

The full board of directors was present except two. Those present were highly encouraged over the prospects of a most successful fair.

The committee to prepare by-laws and resolutions for the association was continued.

**Asheville Citizen July 7, 1911**

# W. N. C. FAIR PROJECT IS MOVING ALONG WELL

## Mr. Hayes Will Have Charge of Farm Implements Display, Mr. Arthur Agricultural.

The affairs of the Western North Carolina Fair association are moving smoothly with Secretary Owen Gudger and the directors and others interested giving much of their time and experience to the undertaking. The people in the country have become aroused and interested and encouraging reports are being daily received.

Rutherford B. Hayes of West Asheville, son of the late President Rutherford B. Hayes, has been selected to have charge of the machinery and farm implements display and it is believed that the display Mr. Hayes will have at the fair will be one of the most interesting seen in the state.

George S. Arthur, in charge of the market gardens department of the Biltmore estate, will be in charge of the agricultural department and exhibits at the fair. Mr. Arthur is an expert farmer and the association is to be congratulated upon securing his services.

Asheville Gazette News July 22, 1911

# HEARTY CO-OPERATION OF FARMERS FOR FAIR

## FINE EXHIBITION OF FARMING MACHINERY.

### Leaders of All Departments Will Soon Be Named and Get Down to Active Work.

Secretary Owen Gudger, of the Western North Carolina Fair Association, states that as far as he has been able to ascertain the people throughout the various counties in the western part of the state are highly enthused over the prospective fair to be held in October at Riverside park, of this city. He has been substantial farmers from various counties embraced in the district of his association, and has received the promise of hearty co-operation from them.

The farmers of this section feel highly encouraged over the bright prospects for a great harvest this year, which means much for the success of the fair. Despite the long and continued drought, it is said that prospects point to the greatest corn crop ever known in this part of the state.

Rutherford P. Hayes, of West Asheville, son of the late President Hayes, has been placed in charge of the department of machinery and farm implements display and named as chairman of the committee to handle this department.

Mr. Hayes came to this city from Ohio about twelve years ago, and since that time has successfully striven to make a success of farming. He won first prize at the National Corn association at Columbus, O., last February for the world's classes of ten ears of pop corn. He is a most enthusiastic contestant in agricultural lines. Since coming here he has introduced modern machinery in this section to a great extent, and no doubt will have an interesting display at the fair.

George S. Arthur, of the market garden department of the Vanderbilt estate, has been placed in charge of the agricultural department. He is well equipped for this line, it is said, having had several years' experience at his present employment. He has been a regular attendant of fairs of an agricultural nature and knows what can be displayed to the best advantage.

Leaders in other departments will be selected from time to time as the executive committee and directors ascertain who is best qualified for the different places and will will agree to serve.

**Asheville Citizen July 24, 1911**

# EXPECT MANY PEOPLE HERE AT W. N. C. FAIR

**Secretary Speaks Most Enthusiastically of Prospects for Big Fall Event.**

"There will be more people in Asheville during the week of the fair than was ever seen here at one time," said Secretary Owen Gudger, of the Western North Carolina Fair association, as he was talking most enthusiastically of the prospects of the fair to be held in October.

Mr. Gudger says that he has met with great encouragement in the collection of subscriptions, and from the present outlook he believes that subscription to stock in the association will be a good paying investment. Within a few days Mr. Gudger will send a personal letter to all the stockholders, urging them to get busy and create as much enthusiam as possible in their respective neighborhoods. Correspondence is being opened with people over the country and to a certain extent throughout the western part of the state. Assurances of hearty support have been received from various sections. Communications have been received from opera companies who desire to show on the grounds, but the question of outside amusement has not been settled.

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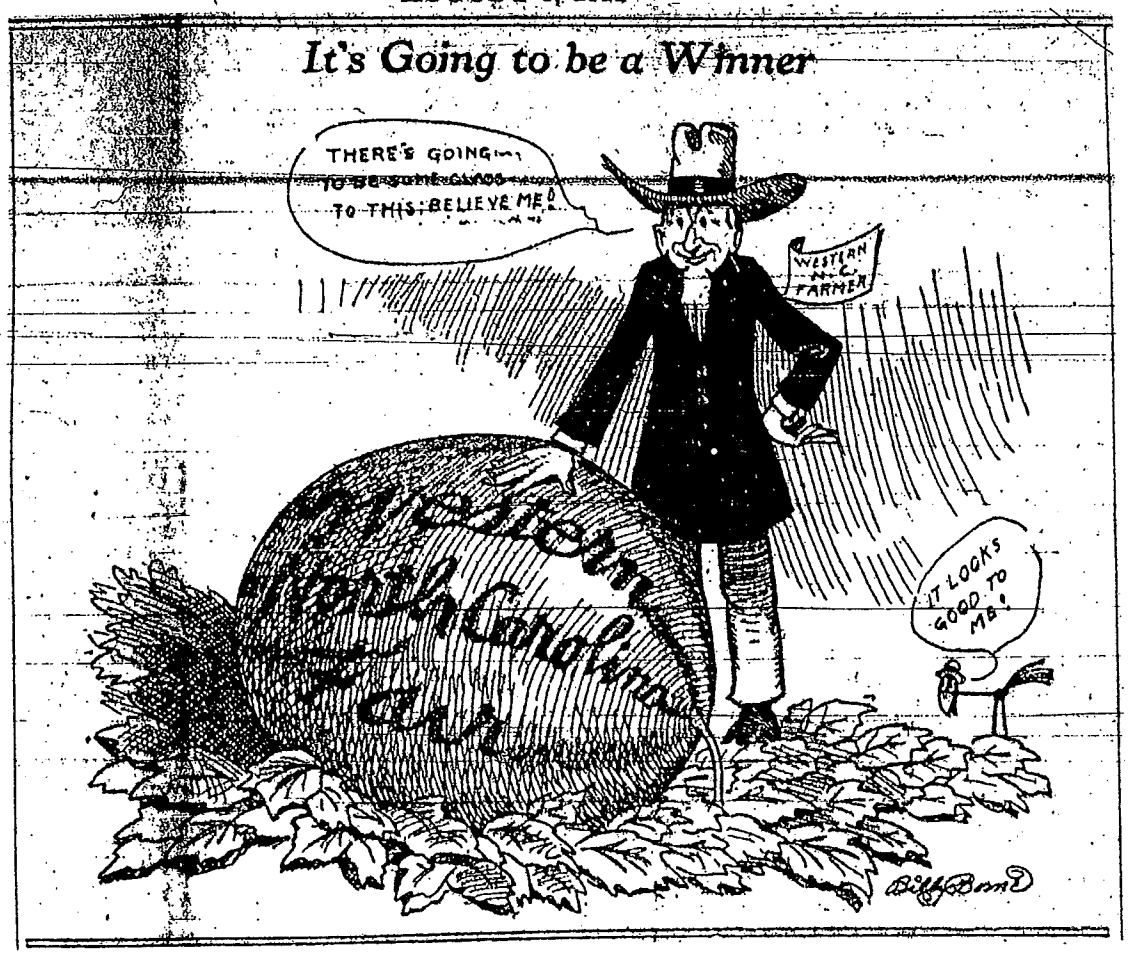


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# COMMITTEE LOOKS AT THE FAIR GROUNDS

## ADDITIONAL BUILDINGS TO BE ERECTED AT RIVERSIDE.

### All Indications Now Point to Most Successful Fair—Prominent Visitors Coming.

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# W. ASHEVILLE WATER SYSTEM ALMOST DONE

## Ample Supply of Aqua Pura Will Soon Be Flowing From Yadeu Mountain

The Buckeye Water company of West Asheville expects to complete its new water line to Yadeu mountain next week. The company has been engaged for several weeks in laying a six-inch wooden pipe, re-inforced with steel bands, to the mountain springs, which are about five miles from French Broad river. Practically three miles of piping was required to connect this water with the old water mains of the town.

In speaking with a Citizen reporter yesterday as to the durability of wooden pipes, Rutherford B. Hayes, president of the Buckeye Water company, said that they would probably last for one hundred years or more as they will not be exposed to the air and will be filled with water practically all the time.

There is a reservation of about one hundred acres of land surrounding the springs, which furnish about seventy-five gallons of water per minute during a prolonged drought, but ordinarily yield about 500,000 gallons per day. The water has been analyzed and found to be pure.

In view of the rapid growth of West Asheville and the new territory it is likely that even a more extended water system will be in great demand within short order.

At present a number of residents of West Asheville are using spring and well water.

Asheville Citizen August 4, 1911

# COMMITTEE LOOKS AT THE FAIR GROUNDS

## ADDITIONAL BUILDINGS TO BE ERECTED AT RIVERSIDE.

### All Indications Now Point to Most Successful Fair—Prominent Visitors Coming.

Secretary Owen Gudger, accompanied by a number of other fair enthusiasts including George S. Powell, George S. Arthur, H. W. Plummer, I. P. Keeler, Rutherford P. Hayes, M. F. Hoffman, W. J. Cocke and S. F. Meares spent the greater part of yesterday afternoon at Riverside park looking over the grounds and taking inventory of the buildings which are situated there in order that they might determine what other buildings will have to be erected. They decided that the grounds were ample for a first-class fair and there are practically enough buildings there for fair purposes. However, it will be necessary to erect a few more buildings and the contracts for their construction will be let at once. It has been decided to reserve the ball park for sports and outdoor amusements of all kinds.

The property just above the lake was examined and it was found that there are about ten acres there admirably suited for encampments. This ground will be reserved for visitors who desire to attend the fair and live in their wagons and in tents.

Mr. Gudger stated yesterday afternoon that within the past few days he has received a large number of letters from former Asheville and Buncombe county people who state that they intend attending the fair in order that they may meet their old acquaintances and boyhood friends. In this way, the fair will serve as a "home coming" period and it is believed that numbers of former residents of this part of the state will attend the Western North Carolina fair. Among those who have written Mr Gudger is Chief Justice H. A. Gudger, of Panama, who wrote that he had planned a trip abroad at the time of the fair. However, he has decided to postpone the trip in order that he may be in Asheville and meet with home folks again. It is quite probable that the fair association will ask Mr. Gudger to make a speech while here.

Secretary Gudger remarked that one would be surprised at the number of letters which he has received lately from people of adjoining counties expressing their intentions of attending and making entries. He stated that over seventy-five people from Madison county have decided to spend their time at the fair.

Asheville Citizen August 9, 1911

# WILL SOON COMPLETE THE LAYING OF SIX-INCH MAIN

### West Asheville Experts Within Short Time to Have Enlarged Water System

It is expected that the Buckeye Water company of West Asheville, of which Rutherford P. Hayes is president, will within a few days complete the laying of a six-inch wooden main re-enforced with steel bands from the terminus of the water mains in the town to Yadken mountain where a splendid supply of pure water will be obtained from springs. The company owns a watershed of approximately 100 acres surrounding the springs and a supply of about 4,500,000 gallons per day will be secured. Relative to the wooden pipes Mr. Hayes says that they will last for probably 100 years or longer as the pipes will not be exposed to the air and will be almost constantly filled with water. West Asheville is growing rapidly and it is probable that within a few years it will become necessary to further increase the water supply by securing additional water shed and springs.

**Asheville Gazette News August 11, 1911**

# FINE WEST ASHEVILLE PROPERTY TO BE SOLD

## Investors Realty Co. Will Offer Handsome Lots at Auction on April 29.

The Investors Realty company of South Boston, Va., which it will be remembered, has conducted two successful sales of real estate in Canton and also successful sales in other places, will conduct a sale of a large tract of very desirable residential land in West Asheville Saturday, April 29.

This bids fair to be the largest sale ever conducted in this part of the country and it is generally believed that it will be a very successful one as West Asheville is a very thriving and promising town.

The lines of the Asheville Electric company are being extended and steet car service will soon be in full operation between this city and West Asheville which makes it a very desirable place in which to live, being within 15 minutes ride of the center of Asheville. It will be recalled that the last legislature granted the town of West Asheville what is known as an "ideal charter" providing for a government by a sanitary commission.

This little place now consisting of about 3000 inhabitants is growing by leaps and bounds and for these reasons we believe these gentlement have selected one of the best locations possible in which to sell real estate.

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# NEW WATER SYSTEM TO SOON BE IN OPERATION

## WATER ALREADY TURNED ON TO CLEAN OUT PIPES

### Ohio Man Makes Proposition Which Would Be Considered Only In Case of Dissatisfaction.

The Buckeye Water company, of West Asheville, finished its six-inch pipe line to Yaden mountain and turned on the water Saturday. It is understood that within the next few days after the "pipy" taste has been washed out the new supply of water will be turned into the town for regular consumption.

The company has been engaged for several weeks in laying this pipe line, which is about three miles in length from the mountain to West Asheville. The line consists of a six-inch wooden pipe re-inforced with steel bands.

There is a reservation of about 100 acres of land surrounding the rings, which furnish about seventy-five gallons of water a minute during a drought but ordinarily yield about 500,000 gallons per day. The water is pure as shown by several analyses made by the state.

It is said that a new concrete reservoir will be built by the water company in West Asheville within a short time. The pressure on the new line is said to be about sixty-five pounds to the square inch.

A man from Ohio, it is understood, has proposed to establish another water system in West Asheville and furnish water at the same rates the citizens of Asheville pay for the water from North Fork. It is said that the person in question has made this proposition to the West Asheville sanitary board with the provision that 200 or 250 subscribers must be obtained for a period of five years. He proposed to lay a pipe line to the north fork of Hominy creek, a distance of about eleven miles. The proposition also calls for the laying of water mains down the principal streets of the town for which there would be no extra charges.

It is said that the present system is giving satisfaction, and that the proposition of the Ohioan will not be given serious consideration until it is learned whether satisfaction will be given by the Buckeye Water company's new system.

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# Fashionable Asheville

David Coleman Bailey

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ASHEVILLE-BUNCOMBE LIBRARY SYSTEM

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# ORIGINS OF THE CITY AS A RESORT

Origins of the city as a resort may be traced back to Sulphur Springs just west of town...and [illegible] development came with completion of the first turnpike, which opened Asheville to the world.

As the 19th century got under way, conditions of transportation led political leaders to begin agitating for general improvements. Finally, the Buncombe Turnpike Company was chartered and incorporated (1824) with a thousand shares of capital stock at fifty dollars each.

Construction records are fragmentary but at various times during the following year, contractors began work on different sections. The first started at Saluda Gap where the road from Charleston ended. At Paint Rock near the state line, the turnpike joined a Tennessee road that branched in several directions.

The route generally followed existing trails and paths. Work in Buncombe, as the county was then defined, was completed in 1827 and the last sections down the river toward Warm Springs and beyond were finished during the next year. In the following October, the first toll gate was opened. And John C. Calhoun would become a visitor to Asheville.

Much of the institutional development that followed was related to church congregations. While they predominated among pioneer settlers, Presbyterians tended to stick to themselves. The result was that Methodists, and later notably independent Baptists with their autonomous church structure, grew in membership at a far faster pace. Eventually Baptists would outnumber all others combined.

Still, the Presbyterian influence was fundamental because of their conviction that education was essential. They wanted to be able to read and understand the Bible without having to rely on church authorities. And they were determined to provide an education for their children. They founded most of the schools in the area, the basis for education until the turn of the century when the Aycock era brought a general level of basic learning across the state.

Among them was one Robert Henry, who instructed students at Union Hill Academy, the first school. He was known as a fine physician among early residents and like his counterparts, when trying to heal the sick, was as much botanist as anything else. The wide variety of plant & animal life provided cures both imaginary & real.

With completion of the turnpike at hand, Henry went on one of his exploratory hikes and there at a place four miles west of the river, he and his slave, Sam, named for the first settler, discovered the main spring of what proved to be a group of such springs. One tested white sulphur; the other principal spring was said to be of blue sulphur. A slight particle of iron and "perhaps a little magnesia" was reported. Not far off was a chalybeate spring.

The waters were very cold and pleasant to the taste. In cases of dyspepsia, it was said to have

no superior and those using it claimed that "it certainly gives one a most excellent appetite." The breeze was soft and cool at this spot and the view outstanding. In the west, Mt. Pisgah & the Haywood mountains, including Cold Mountain. Close at hand a little vantage point, named Mt. Yeadon after the editor of the *Charleston Courier.* The top was about two and a half miles from the springs. From it, the appealing view expanded in several directions.

Some years later, with traffic flowing through over the fine new turnpike...some said it was the best in the impoverished state...Henry's son-in-law, Col. Reuben Deaver, started building a hotel there. The place had come to be known as Sulphur Springs and from that the hotel acquired its name. By 1848, it was a rambling resort with accommodations for 200 guests, as well as their servants and carriages.

After it was compared favorably with Saratoga by Charles Lanman, a professional traveler whose books gave the area its first publicity, the hotel became popular with visitors from Columbia & Augusta & Charleston, at its peak accommodating as many as 500 guests, far greater than anything in the city itself. Climate and clear waters had already established a widespread reputation for health related benefits of the Asheville Plateau. A cool respite from swampy & malarial climes of the tidewater South.

Although people had been coming here for their health since the turn of the century, the turnpike set new standards. Nature was still in control but out of isolation, an artery of commerce was now emerging...a link with Greenville in South Carolina and Greeneville in Tennessee.

In addition to passengers, there was an even more basic element. The Midwest produced a large quantity of animals and the Southeast a strong market. Skilled drovers with flocks & herds slowly grew to a veritable flood...the largest concentration in the country...as hundreds of thousands of hogs, cattle, & turkeys poured through this narrow funnel on their way to towns & plantations from Columbia southeast.

Results of this torrent were mixed but generally on the favorable side. A road has two directions, of course, and as early as 1829, a newspaper correspondent reported that from eight wagons a day to double that number were passing through Asheville. Loaded with persons headed west to seek more favorable economic conditions. On the other hand, animals require feed and farmers who supplied it readily understood the monetary benefits. And those who catered to visitors in any way stood to benefit increasingly as well.

In the Swannanoa Valley, a day's ride from the city, George C. Alexander had bought property (1818) along the river. He established an inn which his descendants enlarged and renovated many times. And north of the city, a brother, James Mitchell Alexander, contracted to build a section of the turnpike along the river there. After it was completed, he bought a large tract of land and erected a handsome and comfortable hotel, one later substantially enlarged. The turnpike passed between hotel and riverbank and a small community grew up around that point.

While presence of mineral waters was an early attraction, there was more to it than that. In a time of spas, travelers seeking curative & restorative powers for medicinal purposes often were drawn to places with social amenities. Resorts like Saratoga in the North and Hot Springs & White Sulphur Springs in the South were widely known. With the size of its clientele, Sulphur Springs was obviously considered to have the right amenities. And in time, Warm Springs, later known as Hot Springs, became an even greater attraction.

# AUCTION SALE
## OF
# 50 LARGE LOTS

**Most of them in Lovely Grove of Oaks, The McGlamory Property of Jarrett Ave., West Asheville**

# Saturday, Aug. 26th
## 11 A. M.

This property adjoins the Buttrick Estate and is just across the street from the Old Home of Dr. Orr and the lovely Summer Home of Mr. John Weaver.

These Lots are in 4 Minutes Walk of the West Asheville Car Line, 5 Minutes Walk to the New $20,000.00 Church, and in the very Center of West Asheville.

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**Take a Ride Out and See This Property and You'll Come Back SALES DAY**

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## SOUTHERN LAND AUCTION COMPANY

"We Sell Lots and Lots of Lots"

Asheville Citizen August 20, 1911

DATE AUG 23 1911

# EARLY MORNING FIRE DESTROYS FOUR HOUSES IN W. ASHEVILLE

*Starting in Beaver Hall, Flames Spread Rapidly to Adjoining Houses—Residents Have Close Call—Fire Burning at 5 O'clock This Morning.*

Fire of unknown origin which broke out at 4.10 o'clock this morning practically destroyed the old Beaver Hall, and three adjoining buildings in West Asheville. The fire started in Beaver Hall and quickly spread to the Brown house occupied by W. S. Hart and owned by Floyd Brown. Lyndburn's grocery store was the next victim and the store building occupied brownell by Mrs. Patterson quickly followed.

Telephone and electric light wires were put out of commission.

Being beyond the reach of the Asheville fire department and adequate water supply the fire swept on with its progress unopposed. The western sky was brilliantly illuminated and the reflection could be plainly seen from the heart of the city.

The inmates of the burned dwelling houses had no time to spare in making their escape. One family it is said, was reduced to the most destitute circumstances by the fire. One woman who was weeping and wringing her hands in despair declared that she had not bite to eat in the world. Her household possessions, like those of the other families, were burned to cinders.

At five o'clock this morning the fire was still burning.

**Asheville Citizen August 23, 1911**

# SERIOUS FIRE IN WEST ASHEVILLE

## Deaver's Hall and Three Other Buildings Burned This Morning.

Fire of an unknown origin, which started in a building known as Deaver's hall, broke out in West Asheville this morning about 3:30 o'clock and despite the efforts of the people of that section it destroyed three other buildings. It is said that four families are burned out and that one of them is in a destitute condition. Heroic work was necessary to save other buildings, which were threatened.

The fire spread to the blacksmith shop of Floyd Brown, over which a family was living. Bradford's store then caught and was consumed, as was a store building owned by Mrs. Patterson. Families were living in both of these buildings and in the Deaver hall. The scene of the conflagration was about half a mile from the river.

It is said that if there had been plenty of water some of the buildings might have been saved but as it was the people had a hard time saving some other buildings. When the fire was checked it was allowed to burn itself out on the four buildings.

Asheville Gazette News August 23, 1911

# WEST ASHEVILLE LOTS TO BE SOLD SATURDAY

## Southern Land Auction Co. Offering Some Choice Property.

The Southern Land Auction company proposes to sell 50 large lots in West Asheville Saturday, August 26. It is stated that most of them are in a pleasant oak grove, known as the McClamory property on Jarrett avenue. The sale will begin at 11 o'clock. There will be music by a brass band and a handsome gold watch will be given away.

The property adjoins the Buttrick estate and is near the summer home of John Weaver. It is about four minutes walk from the West Asheville car line and in five minutes walk of the new $20,000 church in the center of West Asheville.

It is stated that the lots are twice as large as any ever before offered for sale in the town.

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## SOUTHERN LAND AUCTION COMPANY
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Asheville Citizen August 25, 1911

# SUNDAY SCHOOL MEETING AT BALM GROVE ON AUG. 29

## Picnic Dinner Will be Served—Speakers and Their Topics, Reports, Etc.

The Township Sunday School convention to be held in Balm Grove Methodist church, West Asheville, Tuesday, August 29, will be interesting to many visitors in the city, as well as to the members of all the Sunday schools in Asheville.

The West Asheville cars go to the door of the church.

It is to be a mass meeting, with "dinner on the ground"; so that members of local schools will not forget their baskets of lunch.

The exercises begin at 9:30 and conclude at 4:30.

The topics and speakers include. "The Reasonable Work of the Township Association," Rev. Lewis Collins; "Enlarging the School by the Cradle Roll," Mrs. H. A. Dunham; "Daily Bible Reading and the Pocket Testament League," Rev. Clarence Reynolds; "Sunday School Work—a Man's Job," S. P. Burton; "How to Learn to Ask Questions in Teaching the Bible," Prof. E. P. Childs; "Improving the School by Drills," Rev. Lewis Collins. "Promotion Day in the Sunday School," Miss Nellie Pendleton, "Training the School as Christians Towards Teaching or Soul Winning, Rev. G. H. Christenberry; "Training the Scholars in Missions and Benevolences," Mrs. G. A. Shuford.

The two minute reports of the 16 schools in the township will be interesting. A novel means of stirring up the schools to better work will be shown and explained.

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AUGUST 28 1911

# TEACHERS SELECTED FOR COUNTY SCHOOLS

## OPENING OF MOST OF THEM THIS WEEK AND NEXT.

### Meetings of Teachers Will Be Held in Various Parts of County at Stated Times.

The Swannanoa public school opens today with Arthur J. Miller, of Candler, as principal and Miss Grace Buckner as primary teacher.

School will open at Woodfin and Burnsville Hill, Grace and West Asheville next week.

The following teachers have been selected: Woodfin school: principal, C. E. Jervis; intermediate, Miss Margaret Brittan; primary, Miss Lulu Turner.

Grace: principal, Miss Augusta Anderson; intermediate, Miss Fannie Kimberly; primary, Miss Clara Wilson Ray.

West Asheville: principal, J. W. Bradley; sixth and seventh grades, R. B. Edwards; fourth and fifth grades, Miss Dora Atkinson, third grade, Miss Bessie Morgan; second grade, Miss Lillie Stevenson, advanced first grade, Miss Jennie Whitson; primary, Miss Eleanor Hildebrand; assistant principal, Miss Minnie Jones.

An innovation in Buncombe county which tends toward cleanliness and the best sanitation in the public schools has been inaugurated. Meetings for the teachers will be held at different times and places, while heretofore they have been held only in Asheville.

Details of the work are outlined in the following letter sent to the teachers by Superintendent A. C. Reynolds.

Dear teacher:

We wish your co-operation in making the buildings and grounds of the public schools of Buncombe county the best kept, the cleanest and most attractive in the state. To this end we suggest that you put the following plan into operation at once:

Divide the school into squads, made up of boys and girls large enough to do the work assigned to them, appoint a leader for each squad, and alternately assign to each squad the duty of cleaning the building and grounds each day for a week. The number in each company should be governed by the number of pupils in the school—from six to twelve seems to be about right.

Inspect the work, giving to each squad a grade mark, so that at the end of the term you can designate which has done the best average work. To the squad which makes the best grade we will give a nice prize.

At different times during the school term the chairman of the board of education and the superintendent will note carefully the quality of work done. At the end of the term we will award a first, second and third prize, respectively, to the three schools showing the best average work in caring for and beautifying the buildings and grounds.

Prizes will also be awarded to teachers of these schools. The amount of the prizes will be determined later, notice of which will be given.

**Asheville Citizen August 28, 1911**

August 31, 1911

# PROSPECTS FOR FAIR GROWING BRIGHTER

## MANY EXHIBITIONS EXPECTED IN ALL DEPARTMENTS.

### Deal Closed Whereby Cherokee Indian Will Put on Two Games of Lacrosse.

Secretary Owen Gudger of the Western North Carolina Fair association states that the prospects for a great fair this fall grow brighter as the time for the fair approaches.

Arrangements have been made for two of the time honored games of lacrosse, which will be played by the Indians of Cherokee county and while it has not been definitely decided, it is probable that an Indian corn dance will be "pulled off." The Cherokee Indian school will also have an interesting agricultural display at the fair.

The Biltmore estate industries company has signified its intention of making entries of all kinds of handiwork as also has the Allenstand company of Madison county.

It is understood that Dr. M. L. Stevens, who has a valuable farm in Beaufort county, will make a display of eastern corn, cotton, etc.

While there is only about one-third of a fruit crop in this section, there are prospects for some excellent varieties, as the crop was thin, but the fruit promises to be unusually large. It is said that Haywood county, the banner fruit county, is blessed with a very good fruit crop. The first prize in this department will be $25.

Arrangements have been made by the executive committee whereby the director or manager of his respective departmnt cannot compte for cash prizes in the department of which he has charge, but can compete for first prizes in other departments.

Secretary Gudger stated that in view of the fact that the poultry interests have been worked up to some extent in this section by reason of the Asheville Poultry and Pet stock association, some nice pens are expected to be displayed.

S. P. Mears, who has charge of this department, is preparing an article for distribution, giving instructions as to the proper care of fowls, intended for exhibits. The best pen will be awarded a cash prize of $10, the next best pen receiving $7.50. Considerable intrest has been manifested in the poultry department.

The most attractive cash prize will be the $100 offered for the best and most artistically arranged agricultural display, the exhibitor being required to furnish all exhibits from his own raising. Other valuable prizes will be given in this and other departments.

**Asheville Citizen August 31, 1911**

# OPENING OF BINGHAM SCHOOL YESTERDAY

## Students From Many Southern States Present on Opening Day—More Coming

At noon yesterday Bingham school opened its doors again after a vacation of over three months, and within a few weeks the gray uniforms of the cadets will be conspicuous on the Asheville streets. The opening was a very large one, many students from different southern states having registered on the opening day, and it is expected that during the remainder of the week they will continue to arrive. Col. Robert Bingham stated yesterday afternoon that the prospects for a good year's work were never better, and he is of the opinion that the dormitories will be filled "to overflowing" before the end of the week.

Within a short time the football practice will begin, and the Bingham dances will start the first of next month.

**Asheville Citizen September 6, 1911**

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 1911

# SPECIAL ATTRACTION SECURED FOR FAIR

## Secretary Gudger Will Go to Appalachian Exposition to Look Over Several Features.

Secretary Owen Gudger has secured the services of Happy Jack Taylor, who will perform at the Western North Carolina fair. "Happy Jack" wants to stretch a wire across the French Broad river and cross it in a flame of fire, and it is quite probable that he will be allowed by the directors of the local fair association to go as far as he likes. Mr. Gudger stated yesterday afternoon that he had another attraction that was at the Morristown fair under consideration, although no contract has yet been signed.

Mr. Gudger will leave the latter part of next week or the first part of the week following for Knoxville, where he will view the attractions of the Midway at the Appalachian exposition with a view of getting some of them for the local fair. He believes that some excellent attractions can be secured at the Appalachian and believes that he will have several contracts signed while in Knoxville.

Rutherford B. Hayes, manager of the Western North Carolina fair, requests that all who wish to make exhibits of any kind will make their application for space before September 20. He says that much of the space, both in the buildings and on the grounds, has already been taken. It will therefore be necessary to secure space at an early date in order that there be no delay.

**Asheville Citizen September 16, 1911**

# VOLUNTARY PRIZES DONATED FOR FAIR

**Hans Rees' Sons and Dr. E. W. Grove Contribute $75 for Specific Purpose.**

Secretary Owen Gudger, of the Western North Carolina fair association, says that great interest is being taken in the fair which will be held here next month. As evidence of this interest, he received two checks yesterday, one for $50 from Hans Rees' Sons and one from Dr. E. W. Grove for $25. They are to be given as special premiums as follows: Hans Rees' Sons offers $20 for the best and most artistically arranged, exhibit of apples in plates of six and not less than six varieties, the balance of the $30 will be given as follows: to the best horse colt under one year, $15; to the best pair of mules, $15.

These offers are made in addition to those listed in the catalogue of premiums. This makes a total for the best horse colt, $20, and the best pair of mules, $23.

Dr. Grove offers $25 for the best and largest pantry exhibit by one lady, the display to include such articles as breads, cakes, candies, jellies, etc. This is in addition to the offers listed in the catalogue making a total of $33.

Mr. Gudger says that these special offers came without solicitation and that he has the promise of other special offers by business men and others.

**Asheville Citizen September 17, 1911**

# WESTERN N. C. FAIR

# ASHEVILLE, N. C.
# October 10, 11, 12, 13
# Reduced Railroad Rates

**Every Day a Big Day**

**Every Night a Big Night**

## A Fair for All of Western North Carolina
## Amusing, Entertaining and Instructive

### Forms of Entertainment

Fine Amusement tent attractions, field and water sports. Free spectacular special feature acts, including the death-daring 1000 ft. slide by Daredevil "Happy Jack" Taylor, who while enveloped in fire will slide each night on a slender wire across the French Broad river into the fair grounds amid the cheers of the awe inspired multitude.

Free gorgeous display of fireworks, street parade, band concerts, balloon ascensions, games of Lacross played by a band of original Cherokee Indians, and other forms of entertainment too numerous to mention.

### Class of Exhibits

Grand exposition of agricultural and horticultural products, minerals, timber, blooded horses, cattle, sheep, hogs, poultry, manufactured articles of Western North Carolina, modern farm tools, machinery, etc.

The exhibits will prove interesting and instructive, the fair will prove a great education for prospective home seekers. Absolute impartiality will be shown in the judging and awarding of prizes by disinterested experts and every one is invited to participate.

Write for entry blanks today.

## Thousands of Dollars Are Offered in Cash Premiums

### Special Prizes Not Listed in Catalogue

**BY HANS REES SONS, $20.00 CASH**
For best display of apples, not less than six varieties in plates of six.

**BY HANS REES SONS, $15.00 CASH**
For best horse colt under one year, same as premium list 87.

**BY HANS REES SONS, $15.00, CASH**
For best pair mules, same as premium list 87.

**BY DR. E. W. GROVE, $20.00 CASH**
For one best display of pantry supplies by one lady, same as premium list 395.

**Premium List Mailed on Request**

**Entry Books Are Now Open**

**ADMISSION: Season Ticket $1.00, Single Admission 25c, Children under 6 yrs. Free**

For further information address

**OWEN GUDGER, Sec'y Western N. C. Fair Association**
**Asheville, N. C.**



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**Asheville Citizen September 25, 1911**

# Send Entries At Once

USE BLANK IN THIS ADVERTISEMENT. THIS WILL BE A GREAT EXPOSITION OF THE PRODUCTS OF WESTERN NORTH CAROLINA, INCLUDING ALL AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS, LIVE STOCK OF ALL KINDS, TIMBERS, MINERALS. ALSO A GREAT DISPLAY OF MODERN FARM IMPLEMENTS, TOOLS AND MACHINERY.

IT WILL BE OF GREATEST BENEFIT TO ALL FARMERS AND BUSINESS MEN OF THE ENTIRE WESTERN PART OF THE STATE, SHOWING WHAT THE MOST PROGRESSIVE AMONGST US ARE DOING. THE BEST THAT ALL CAN DO WILL BE EXHIBITED, AND WHATEVER ONE MAN CAN DO ANOTHER CAN ALSO DO, THIS ACTING AS A STIMULUS FOR ALL.

## Remember the Date

## October 10, 11, 12, 13th,

## Riverside Park, Asheville.

## Western North Carolina Fair Association

OWEN GUDGER, Secretary, Asheville, N. C.

Asheville Gazette News September 29, 1911

KEEP BLANK FOR ALL DEPARTMENTS

# Western North Carolina Fair

## Asheville, October 10 to 13, 1911.

OWEN GUDGER, Secretary:

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# STREET CAR SCHEDULE IN EFFECT OCT. 1, 1911.

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| ZILLICOA AND RETURN | 6:00, 6:15, 6:30 a. m. |
| RIVERSIDE PARK | 6:30 and every 15 min. until 8:00 p m.; then every hour until 11. p. m Cars to Santee St.; this line, every 1 min. 8:00 to 11:00. |
| DEPOT VIA SOUTHSIDE AVENUE | 5:45 and 6:00 a. m. and every 15 minutes until 1:15 p. m.; then every 7 1-min. until 3:45 p. m. Then every 1 min. until 11:00. |
| DEPOT VIA FRENCH BROAD AVE. | 6:00 and every 15 minutes until 10:0 p. m.; then every 30 minutes til 11:00. |
| MANOR | 6:00 a. m. and every 15 minutes til 11:00 p. m., except no car. in t Square at 10:15 p. m. |
| CHARLOTTE STREET TERMINUS | 7:00 a. m. then every 15 minutes til 8:00 p. m. 10:00 and 11:00 o'cloc cars run through to Golf Club. |
| PATTON AVENUE | 6:00 a. m. and every 15 minutes til 11:00 p. m. |
| EAST STREET | 6:00 a. m. and every 15 minutes til 11:00 p. m. |
| GRACE VIA MERRIHON AVENUE | 6:00 a. m. and every 30 minutes til 8:00 a. m. Then every 30 minute until 11:00 p. m. |
| BILTMORE | 6:15 a. m. and then every 15 minute until 9:00 p. m. Then every 30 minutes until 11:00, last car. |
| Depot and West Asheville via Southside Avenue. | 5:45 and 6:00 a. m. and every 3 minutes until 10:30, last car. |

Sunday schedule differs in the following particulars:

Cars leave Square for Depot via Southside Ave. 6:15, 6:30, 7:00, 7:30 3:00 and 3:30 a. m. Cars leave Square for Depot via French Broad Ave 6:15, 6:30, 6:45, 7:15, 7:45 and 8:15.

Car for Depot leaves Square 8:45, both Southside and French Broad.

First car leaves Square for Charlotte street at 8:45.

First car leaves Square for Riverside 8:30, next 8:45.

First car for West Asheville, leaves Square 8:30.

With the above exceptions, Sunday schedules commence at 9 a. m. and continues same as week days.

On evenings when entertainments are in progress at either Auditorium or Opera House, the last trip on all lines will be from entertainment, leaving Spare at regular time and holding over at Auditorium or Opera House

Car leaves Square to meet No. 35, night train 30, minutes before schedule or anounced arrival.

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# Western North Carolina Fair

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# Over $2000 Given Away in Premiums at

## Western North Carolina Fair Association

## Riverside Park, Asheville.

## October 10, 11, 12, 13th,

SPECIAL RAILROAD RATES FROM ALL POINTS IN WESTERN NORTH CAROLINA 6TH to 13TH RETURNING GOOD TILL MIDNIGHT 16TH.

SEND IN ENTRIES AT ONCE. ENTRY BOOKS CLOSE OCTOBER 7TH. LEAVE ARTICLES TO BE EXHIBITED WITH CARETAKER AT FAIR GROUNDS SATURDAY AND MONDAY BEFORE FAIR OPENS.

Grand Street Parade Tuesday, Balloon Ascensions, Gorgeous Fireworks, Moving Pictures, Band Concerts, Etc., Daily, Original Band Indians in old game of La-Cross, Big Midway.

## Western North Carolina Fair Association

G. S. Powell, Pres, Owen Gudger, Secty.

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# WESTERN N. C. FAIR

## Riverside Park

## Asheville, N. C. October 10, 11, 12 and 13.

A monster exposition of Agricultural Products of all the Western counties; Live Stock of all kinds, including Blooded Horses, Cattle, Sheep, Poultry and the largest Exhibit of Fancy Blooded Hogs Ever Shown in the State. Also Minerals, Timbers, Modern Farm Machinery, Tools and Implements, Pantry Supplies of every kind, all of which will prove of the greatest educational value to all.

**Monster Street Parade**
**Tuesday 1:30 P. M.**

**Gorgeous Fireworks Display**
**Every Night**

"Happy Jack" Taylor in a 1000 foot glide enveloped in fire, across River.

Band Concerts; Fine Tent Attractions.

Best Educated Horse in the world "California Prince', on which is carried $20,000 Life Insurance.

Shooting Contest by worlds' champions Adolph Topperwein and wife.

Double Parachute drops.

Big band of Cherokee Indians in exciting game of LaCrosse.

## Thousands Of Dollars Given Away In Premiums.

# REDUCED R. R. RATES

FROM ALL POINTS IN WESTERN NORTH CAROLINA UP TO 13TH, GOOD RETURNING TILL MIDNIGHT 16TH.

Season tickets for $1 entitling holder to go in and out of grounds at will, on sale at Walker's, Carmichael's, and McKay's drug stores; General admission 25c cents; children under six years FREE.

Free camp grounds for visitors from the country; plenty of free city water. A big time every minute of the four days. Come!

## Western North Carolina Fair Association

Geo. S. Powell, President. Owen Gudger, Secretary.

# STORY IS TOLD BY ENTRY LIST

## The Fair Will Surpass the Dreams of Its Promoters, by Far—Exhibits Being Rapidly Put in Place.

## SECOND TO THE STATE FAIR ONLY, IF TO ANY

## String of Buildings, Five in Number, Will Be Literally Packed with the Exhibits.

The first Western North Carolina fair is today being converted from numberless word and pen pictures into a reality, and by noon tomorrow the arrangements will be completed and the fair ready to be opened to the admiring gaze of the people of this section, who have co-operated so commendably in making it what promises to be a success, far in excess of the earlier hopes of the promoters.

The entry books are running over with entries in every class in each department and, instead of a fair that would serve only as an opening chapter to successful fairs in the future, these entries indicate an initial exhibition that will be second only, if to any, to the state fair at Raleigh.

The bluildings on the grounds have been completed and are amply sufficient from the booth for the ladies' display at the gate to the livestock building at the extreme end of Riverside park. Arrangements for the exhibits have not been made in a half-hearted way, but with enthusiasm and energy, and the people will see tomorrow afternoon a string of fine buildings fairly packed with representative exhibits from every demonstrative phase of industrial and productive side of life in this section.

The exhibits are being installed today and by this evening will be practically all in at the fair grounds, including live stock, aggricultural exhibits, machinery, horticultural products, etc. The attractions for the midway have nearly all arrived and the tents and side shows are going up in the manner peculiar to traveling attractions. The scene is fast assuming a carnival appearance and interest in the fair is growing apace.

The big parade will start from the Court house tomorrow afternoon at 1:30 o'clock, and a long procession will march to the fair grounds, when the formal opening will take place. The event is being eagerly awaited and the rain today has failed to dampen the spirits of the officials and those interested in the success of the fair.

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# ONE-HALF OF MONEY HAS BEEN SECURED

## Fair Committees Meeting With Splendid Success—Commissioners Will Co-Operate.

The committees appointed to secure subscriptions to the stock of the Western North Carolina fair have been at work only part of the day and already they have secured subscriptions to make up half of the amount required. They feel that they have made a good showing and are convinced that the people are interested in the fair as shown by the prompt action in subscribing to the stock. It is thought that with a little more work the whole amount can be raised and without much trouble.

The committees went before the county commissioners today and received every encouragement and while it was found that according to law the county cannot take stock in the fair, the members individually assured the committees of their hearty co-operation and a resolution was passed commending the efforts of the fair committees, with an expression to the effect that the fair is a step in the right direction. The committees will continue their work until they have raised the necessary money to insure the fair.

**Asheville Gazette News June 7, 1911**

# FIRST ANNUAL W.N.C. FAIR GATES WILL OPEN TOMORROW AT 2:30 P.M.

## No Stone Left Unturned to Make This the Greatest Event of the Kind Ever Held in This Section of the State—Parade Opening Feature

The gates of the long-heralded first annual Western North Carolina fair, which will be held at Riverside park, will be thrown open tomorrow afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. The placing of exhibits will make that place a scene of great activity today. Everything will be in place at the opening hour. The opening occurs just after the parade which will form at the court house tomorrow at 1:30 p. m.

The entry lists in which competition will be made for cash premiums closed Saturday night and every effort will be made to have a great part of the fair exhibits placed on the grounds today in order that there will be no strain and confusion on the fair grounds Tuesday, when the fair will be opened for four days. The management urges that exhibits be transferred to the park today in cases where such will be convenient, as it is hoped that there will be no hitch on the opening day and that everything an exhibition will be displayed to the best advantage.

Arrangements will be made today for the midway attractions. While the list of free attractions will not be as large as is found at some fairs, the management has been particular in trying to eliminate all features that would be offensive to the most fastidious person.

### The Parade.

The parade, which will be participated in by various organizations and officials, will begin at 1:30 Tuesday afternoon, and will be one of the pleasing events of the opening of the first fair for Western North Carolina. In order to co-operate in making this a most successful fair, the merchants of Asheville will close their places of business, Tuesday at 1:30 o'clock and remain closed throughout the day that Asheville may turn out en masse and enjoy the opening exercises, when Chief Justice Gudger, of the Panama Canal Zone, will make the opening address, probably to be followed by Hon. F. M. Simmons and others.

The number of entries in all department is most gratifying, but as some of them were made at the fair headquarters and others were made through the directors of the various departments, no correct estimate could be given of the entry lists in the different departments yesterday. It is believed that the number and quality of entries in some departments will exceed those of any fair ever held in this state.

### Entries of Stock.

The interest taken in the hog department, which has been under the supervision of Hon. William J. Cooke, has been keen and judging from the entries made it is believed that the finest collection of swine ever seen in this part of the state will be exhibited.

George B. Arthur, who is director of the field and garden department, will have a great display from Western North Carolina, including nearly every product that can be grown in the soil of this section. Handsome cash premiums will be offered in this as well as in nearly all other lines. And the whole department will naturally appeal to the farmers, who will have some splendid exhibits.

It is understood that there will be about forty horses entered under the direction of James G. Blaine Gudger. There will be some of the finest blood horses found in the mountains on the fair grounds.

M. C. Hoffman, director of the cattle department, has worked up a large number of entries of breeds of various kinds and the collection of cattle will be interesting to the people [illegible] members of the bo-

### Fruit Department.

The fruit department under the direction of Charles W. Mason, promises to be extremely interesting in view of the fact that some of the finest apples grown in the country can be grown in Western North Carolina. Shipments of fruit were received several days ago and placed in cold storage.

J. M. English has charge of native woods and the timber products of the mountains will be displayed to great advantage.

There have been several entries in the mineral department under the direction of F. R. Hewitt. A number of native gems and minerals will be displayed as well as a number of old relics.

The school children throughout the Western part of the state will make a number of exhibits consisting of maps and drawings.

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There will also be a display of fine needlework as a number of the industries manufacturing these articles will have large displays.

Rutherford Broyles, who has charge of the farm implements, will have a most interesting display, some of the machinery having already been placed on the grounds.

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### Opening Hour.

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It is understood that the school children of the city schools will be given one day on which to attend the fair. The schools of Buncombe county will also take off one day, the exact day being left with the discretion of the committeemen of the schools. Some of the private schools will also close, and probably the schools of some of the other counties.

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E. P. Mears, director of the poultry department, will have on exhibition about 350 birds. There will be among the collection two wild turkeys lately caught. In all there will be about ten turkeys and forty or fifty ducks and chickens of all kinds entered by several poultry fanciers. The classes of poultry will be varied and the exhibits will be interesting, especially for this season of the year.

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## First Annual Western North Carolina Fair Will be Unqualified Success

## ENTRIES EXCEEDED ALL ANTICIPATIONS

## Street Pageant Leaves Court-house at 1.30—Business Houses Close

OCTOBER 10, 1911.

**TODAY'S PROGRAM.**

1:30 P. M.—Parade.
2:30 P. M.—Fair grounds open.
3:00 P. M.—Address by Judge H. A. Gudger.
3:00 P. M.—Balloon ascension.
7:30 P. M.—Band concert.
8:30 P. M.—Fireworks.
9:30 P. M.—Leap for life by Daredevil "Happy" Jack Taylor across French Broad river.
9:30 to 11 P. M.—Exhibits of agricultural and horticultural products, stock of all kinds, minerals, hardwoods, women's department, etc.
9:30 to 11 P. M.—Midway attractions.

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Following this address the fair exhibits will be reviewed. At 5 o'clock

### Final Touches.

The fair grounds was a scene of activities yesterday as a large number of exhibits were arranged, stock was stalled, and the midway attractions were arranged on the ball grounds.

The management of the fair association stated last night that the number and quality of the exhibits surpassed the most sanguine expectations of all fair managers. The entries in all departments gave prospects for one of the best fairs ever held in the state. No special department needs to be emphasized for the fact that some of them, in the language of the secretary of the association, are "running over" and no department has been neglected in the least.

The Cherokee Indians will play the exciting game of LaCrosse at 2:30 o'clock on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday.

On Friday afternoon the Toppees will give a shooting exhibit with Winchester rifles, they being [illegible] to be found in the country.

A moving picture company arrived from Indianapolis yesterday and other attractions heretofore described are already on the grounds.

### Stores Close.

Secretary Owen Gudger stated yesterday that only two of the merchants in Asheville whom he had called upon had refused to sign the statement asking them to close their stores today at 1:30 o'clock in order that Asheville may turn out en masse to witness the first Western North Carolina fair.

Reduced rates will be inaugurated on the Southern throughout the fair season in all parts of western North Carolina, and if the weather man smiles upon Asheville during the week, the largest crowds ever seen here are expected to be at Riverside park.

[illegible] arrived yesterday and attended the banquet at the Battery Park hotel last night. Excursionists are expected to arrive on all trains today by the hundreds and when the gates of the fair open, it is believed that there will be hundreds and thousands of visitors from various sections here to enjoy a look at the wonderful products of western North Carolina and the list of free attractions offered by the fair

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Following this address the fair exhibits will be reviewed. At 5 o'clock there will be a balloon ascension by a woman who promises to give some spectacular flights. This will be a feature of the fair each afternoon. It will be followed by a band concert at 8:30 o'clock. At 8:30 there will be a spectacular display of fireworks each night. Daredevil "Happy Jack" Taylor will give a thrilling slide of 1,270 feet across French Broad river into the fair grounds at 9:30 o'clock, his appearance being visible by a flame of fire. The fair grounds will not close until about 11 o'clock at night.

agricultural and horticultural products, stock of all kinds, [illegible] department, etc.

Ring to 11 P. M.—Midway attractions.

### Final Touches.

The fair grounds was a scene of activities yesterday as a large number of exhibits were arranged, stock was stalled, and the midway attractions were arranged on the ball grounds.

The management of the fair association stated last night that the number and quality of the exhibits surpassed the most sanguine expectations of all fair enthusiasts. The entries in all departments gave prospects for one of the best fairs ever held in the state. No special department needs to be emphasized for the fact that some of them; in the language of the secretary of the association, are "running over" and no department has been neglected in the least.

The Cherokee Indians will play the exciting game of LaCrosse at 2:30 o'clock on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday.

On Friday afternoon the Tuppeo twins will give a shooting exhibit with Winchester rifles, they being [illegible] to be found in the country.

A moving picture company arrived from Indianapolis yesterday and other attractions heretofore described are already on the grounds.

### Stores Close.

Secretary Owen Gudger stated yesterday that only two of the merchants in Asheville whom he had called upon had refused to sign the statement asking them to close their stores today at 1:30 o'clock in order that Asheville may turn out en masse to witness the first Western North Carolina fair.

Reduced rates will be inaugurated on the Southern throughout the fair season in all parts of western North Carolina, and if the weather man smiles upon Asheville during the week, the largest crowds ever seen here are expected to be at Riverside park.

[illegible] arrived yesterday and attended the banquet at the Battery Park hotel last night. Excursionists are expected to arrive on all trains today by the hundreds and when the gates of the fair open, it is believed that there will be hundreds and thousands of visitors from various sections here to enjoy a look at the wonderful products of western North Carolina and the list of free attractions offered by the fair association.

The management of the fair association emphasizes the fact that season tickets will give admittance to the fair grounds at all times, while those purchasing single admission tickets will be admitted to the grounds only once, as no checks will be given on an exit. Season tickets must be signed by the bearer and will not be transferable. They can be secured at the entrance at the end of the car line or at the following places, Carmichael's, Walker's and McKay's drug stores, C. Sawyer's grocery store and Buckney & Monlo's book store.

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# WESTERN NORTH CAROLINA FAIR

# EXHIBITS BEYOND ANTICIPATIONS

## Despite Rain and Slush and Postponement of Formal Opening Hundreds of People Went Out Yesterday to View Displays—Parade This Morning at 10:30. Opening Address at 12 O'clock.

Regardless of rain and slush and notwithstanding the postponement of the Western North Carolina fair's formal opening until today, about fifteen hundred people entered the grounds yesterday.

If this is a criterion of the interest in the first annual event of the kind in this city, thousands of people will witness the numerous exhibits and special attractions before the week ends. On account of the postponement of the opening the fair will continue through Saturday.

According to the new arrangement the parade which was to have occurred yesterday afternoon at 3 o'clock will be given this morning at 10 o'clock and Hon. James Scott Rudger's opening address will be delivered today at 12 o'clock.

The exhibits were all in place at the appointed hour yesterday and to say that everyone was surprised at their excellence is but expressing a very conservative opinion. Everything was above par and many who had seen other fairs did not hesitate to say that every single exhibit was a credit to those in charge.

### Women Make Record.

Immediately upon entering Riverside park the women's department is in evidence. The ladies, under the direction of Mrs. S. B. Dilworth, have done themselves proud. Every imaginable design of fancy work has been entered and arranged in the most advantageous way.

The individual exhibits are numerous and varied, and several industries are adequately represented. Dr. A. E. Johnson has one of the old time hall clocks in evidence in by-gone days, but still ticking away the seconds as regularly as the most up-to-date timepiece. There is a very interesting collection of old books, some of them having seen the light of day in the sixteenth century. The fancy work includes many hundreds of pieces, from the smallest and finest battenburg lace to the most handsome pieces of embroidery work. There also are exquisite pieces of chinaware, copper and woodwork.

One especially interesting article is a rug, worked into a design of a farm scene, including the old oaken bucket, the trees and the flower garden. On the right on entering is a showcase full of handsome silver pieces, an exhibit of cutting, leather, corduroy, linen, canvas and basketry, together with an exhibit of the Asheville Normal and College industries. No exhibit in the entire building is more varied than this one. Among the things shown are woodwork, woven work, baskets of every shape and size, paintings, drawings and arts and crafts designs. The Biltmore estate industries are also well represented with a good collection, the woodwork designs being especially fine.

### Convent Exhibit.

St. Genelove's convent has on exhibit a varied collection of fancy work. Christ school industries has many articles of handiwork. The Asheville Mica company and F. R. Hewitt, owner of the talc mines on the Murphy branch, have exhibits of their products.

Ray's studio is represented by numerous pieces of photographic work, including enlargements and colored pictures. Miss Moore's art store is represented by a display of knit and embroidery designs.

Nichols Shoe company presents an unique idea, showing the style of shoes worn two decades ago as compared with the more modern styles.

Some of the individual exhibitors have as many as thirty or more pieces exhibited and even though the building is commodious every inch of space is occupied.

Then comes a well equipped lunch stand where the inner man can be satisfied at any time.

The dairy exhibit is in the building formerly occupied by the box factory and many a mouth watered at the beautiful jars of jellies, preserves, jams, pickles and canned goods that met the eye. The decorations is beyond all criticism and those in charge have spared no time that such things could be so attractively

The old skating rink has been converted into a structure for showing agricultural products besides a miscellaneous exhibits. Just to the right on entering is The Citizen's booth, where subscriptions are taken. In addition to every product grown in this section, several firms have contributed to the displays. The Asalea Woodworking company has a handsome metal and a pair of large double doors in their booth. The Beaumont Furniture company has several fine pieces of furniture on display. T. S. Morrison & Co. are represented by several pieces of machinery, all of them running. The Piedmont Electric company has all kinds of electrical contrivances. Burton & Holt have some fine furniture on exhibit. The Vanderbilt estate is also represented by a comprehensive display of garden truck.

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The commissioner of agriculture or a representative will judge the agricultural exhibits.

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### Sixty-seven Varieties.

Mrs. R. W. Morgan of Candler has over one hundred varieties. Mrs. W. B. Taylor and Mrs. J. A. Lyerly come next with ninety-five variations. Mrs. W. C. McConnel has sixty-eight and Mrs. Maggie Webb sixty-five. Many others have well arranged displays. Mrs. Richard Gibson is represented by a display of cakes, wines and a general assortment of toothsome viands. Mrs. L. F. Matthews has about fifty glasses of apple jelly arranged in a tasteful manner. The honey display of Dean & Mowrey is attractive. Mrs. R. R. Hoyle, Mrs. Weaver of Weaverville and Mrs. Morgan have some fine butter exhibited.

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# SIX THOUSAND PERSONS ENTERED FAIR GATES ON THE OPENING DAY

## Even Most Optimistic Surprised and Gratified at Unqualified Success of First Annual Western North Carolina Fair--Lacrosse Games of Cherokee Indians Attract Much Attention—Numerous Awards Made.

Six thousand people entered the gates of the Western North Carolina Fair at Riverside yesterday and the first day was with a greater success than the most optimistic had hoped for. Everything was carried out according to the program including the game of lacrosse, the balloon ascension in which a daring rescue was effected, the fireworks and the flame of fire glide.

### The Parade.

Thousands of people gathered from various sections of western North Carolina and crowded the business thoroughfares yesterday morning and witnessed the parade incidental to the formal opening of the first Western North Carolina fair.

At 11 o'clock those participating in the parade formed a line on College street and proceeded towards the fair grounds across the square, down Patton avenue, Haywood street and Montford avenue to the fair grounds at Riverside park, where the formal opening was made at 12 o'clock.

While the parade was not a very long one, it befittingly signaled the opening of the fair grounds, to which the attention of thousands of people of this part of the state was directed for the remainder of this week. The parade was headed by Chief Marshal L. E. Perry and his assistants, who were on horseback and who handled the crowds exceedingly well. They were followed by the carriage containing Judge Hezekiah A. Gudger, the speaker of the day; Dr. Charles W. Byrd, who offered the invocation at the opening exercises; W. A. Graham, commissioner of agriculture of North Carolina, who will judge the agricultural exhibits, and George S. Powell, president of the Western North Carolina Fair association. Congressman J. M. Gudger, Jr., Judge Henry P. Lane, Hon. Locke Craig and Solicitor R. R. Reynolds occupied the second carriage in the line. Then came the carriages and tallyhos occupied by city and county officials and a number of ladies. Mounted policemen followed.

The First Regiment band preceded its inspiring music rending the air. The band was followed by the military companies and the fire department.

### Opening Address.

Immediately upon reaching the fair grounds, the formal opening of the fair took place. Hundreds of people were already there to hear the opening address of Chief Justice H. A. Gudger, of the Panama Canal zone. Judge Gudger's subject was "The Panama Canal and its Benefits."

Among the most pertinent statements Justice Gudger made was that the canal would change the map of the world. Before launching into his subject he paid a glowing tribute to this section, expressing the deep feelings and emotions he had on this, a home coming after a long absence. He paid a high compliment to the people behind the fair for their achievement in bringing before the people here the advantages and products which compare favorably with any other place. After his address everything was thrown open and the fair was in full swing.

Blue ribbons were awarded in many departments yesterday, and the remainder will be awarded today.

### Cattle Exhibit.

A great deal of interest is shown in the exhibits of cattle, which are under the direction of M. F. Hoffman. The judge is professor H. S. Curtis, of the faculty of A. & M. College.

In the shorthorns class, the first premium for a bull over one year old was awarded to W. D. McCracken, of Crabtree, and the second to Dr. W. P. Robinson, of Mars Hill; for the McCracken took the blue ribbon as he did for the heifer under one year of age. He also won the blue ribbon for the cow over one year old in the Aberdeen Angus class. Charles A. Webb, of this city, won the first premium on his bull over one year of age and the second prize went to J. H. Freeman, of Bat Cave. The heifer under one year of age belonging to W. D. McCracken took a blue ribbon and his heifer over one year old took one. The exhibit of Charles A. Welb won the second premium in this class. In the Devons class, for the best bull over one year old, the Asheville School's offering took the blue ribbon. The bull over one year of age in the Holstein class belonging to W. M. Johnson, of this city, won the blue ribbon. In the miscellaneous class, the bull under one year old, belonging to J. B. Freeman, of Bat Cave, took a blue ribbon, and the blue ribbon for the heifer over one year of age was won by the exhibition of Wiley B. Brown, of this city. The first premium for the cow over one year old was awarded to A. E. Ive and the second was won by the cow to J. B. Freeman. In the sweepstakes, the bull over one year old, belonging to the Asheville school, took the blue ribbon, and the heifer under one year old, belonging to W. D. McCracken, won a blue ribbon as did his offerings for the heifer over one year old, the cow over one year old and the best exhibitors herd.

In the sheep yards many persons expressed admiration of the exhibits. In the Shropshiredown class, the first prize for the ram, two years old or over was awarded to E. W. Patton, of this city, who also won the blue ribbons on his ewe two years old or over and the ewe one year old or under two. In the Hampshiredown class, the blue ribbon for the ram two years old or over was won by the offering of A. C. Walker, of Clyde, and the second premium by Dick Revier, of this city, whose ram one year old and under two won a blue ribbon. The ewe two years old or over belonging to A. C. Walker, took the first prize and the second was won by the ewe of W. D. McCracken. The ewe one year old and under two belonging to A. C. Walker, took the blue ribbon and the one which was entered by W. D. McCracken took the second prize. In the Rambouillet class, three blue ribbons were won by the exhibits of W. D. McCracken, they being the ones offered for the ram two years old and over, the ewe last two years old and

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# THRILLING RESCUE OF DARING BALLOONIST

## WOMAN DIVING AT FAIR FALLS INTO FRENCH BROAD.

### After She Had Gone Down Second Time Two Spectators Hurried to Her in a Boat.

Battling against lowering clouds and buffeted by strong air currents, Mrs. Zurlah Moore, of McKeesport, Pa., the balloonist of the Western North Carolina fair, yesterday, while thousands of feet in the fair, road impending down below in the hungry waters of French Broad river as she descended with unusual swiftness screaming at the top of her voice: "Come on boys, I can't swim a lick," and plunged helplessly into twelve-foot water near the concrete bridge, sinking twice before assistance could be rendered her.

It was only the presence of mind and timely actions of W. H. Taylor and Charlie Haney, two spectators of the accident, that the life of the balloonist was saved. They were standing on the railroad near the county concrete bridge when the woman was seen about 200 feet into the air battling for her life against the all-powerful currents that overpowered her and caused her to sink into the river helplessly buckled to her parachute.

Just before the woman struck the swift waters the two spectators were struck with the timely thought of [illegible] feet her rescue. The boat was near and the two men struggling against a swift current caused by the recent rains, managed to reach the balloon- [illegible] and last time Mr. Taylor grabbed her by the hair and pulled her into the boat and moved towards the shore, where assistance was rendered by others in disentangling her from the parachute. On reaching the shore Mr. Taylor took her in his arms in an unconscious condition and carried her to dry land, where after some little time she regained consciousness. He later escorted her to the fair grounds, where she was attended by Dr. J. T. Sevier.

### Her Difficulties Observed.

In speaking of the thrilling incident Mr. Taylor stated to a Citizen reporter that while she was several hundred feet high and descending from a spectacular flight in an elevation of 4,500 feet, he observed that she was battling against the high currents. She had crossed the river but in descending, the winds bore her over the waters and when only about 200 feet [illegible] boys, I can't swim a lick." Mr. Taylor said that when she struck the water, [illegible] was about twelve feet deep, she entirely disappeared, after which she rose and battled bravely but vainly, with the rushing waters in an attempt to hang on to the parachute, which at that time had not been saturated with water. Aid reached the woman in the nick of time and it was only by the heroic efforts of the men that her life was saved.

Dr. Sevier stated that there was a little water in the balloonist's lungs when he attended her.

When seen last night by a Citizen representative, Mrs. Moore declared that she was doing well and would give a flight worth while today.

Mrs. Moore is accompanied by her husband, J. E. Moore. She has been engaging in aeronautics for seventeen years and says that she has had a number of thrilling flights.

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# SECOND DAY OF BIG FAIR DRAWS ALMOST EIGHT THOUSAND PEOPLE

## Even Larger Crowds Than This Expected Two Concluding Days—Additional Awards Made Yesterday—Believed Now That Total Number of Admissions For Four Days of Fair Will Reach 30,000

The Western North Carolina fair was well attended yesterday and the exhibits, attractions and displays were carefully examined by many Asheville and visitors to the city, who were highly pleased with the offerings and who voted the first annual fair of the Western North Carolina Fair association a huge success. Between 7,500 and 8,000 people viewed the many attractions to be seen in the fair grounds and the midway of unfamiliar faces of Asheville fairs were plentiful. It is truly a Western North Carolina fair and the people of the western part of the state are realizing that fact, for the exhibits and patrons of the fair live in many of the counties of the "Land of the Sky." Many of those who went through the gates yesterday were negroes and the better class of the colored population is taking advantage of the many educational opportunities offered at the fair grounds and the amusements to be seen on the midway.

The amusements were varied yesterday, although on account of the fact that the balloon which fell into the river Wednesday was not recovered until yesterday afternoon, it was impossible for Mrs. Zurlah Moore to make her ascension. However, the balloon will be thoroughly dry by today and the flight will be made at 5 o'clock this afternoon. The game of lacrosse between two Indian teams will be pulled off this morning at 10:30 o'clock and the fancy shooting exhibition will be given this afternoon at 3 o'clock. This is a free attraction and will doubtless be attended by a large crowd as it is said that the exhibitions are excellent.

The awards in the department of field and garden crops, which is in charge of George S. Arthur, were announced yesterday morning and proved interesting.

J. M. Burgess of Raleigh, acted as judge and made the following awards: for the best and greatest variety of agricultural products, first prize H. P. Howell of Waynesville; for the best bushel of white wheat, second prize, H. P. Howell; for the best bushel of red wheat, first prize, H. P. Hayes of Asheville, second prize, R. W. Alexander of Biltmore; best sheaf of red wheat, first and second prizes, H. P. Howell; best bushel of white corn, first prize, S. R. Parker of Candler, second prize, R. P. Hayes; best bushel of yellow corn, first prize, H. N. Alexander of Swannanoa, second prize, R. W. Alexander; best prolific corn, R. P. Hayes; best six stalks of corn, first prize, E. D. Weaver of Waynesville second prize, L. E. Perry of Horse Shoe; best twelve ears of white corn, first prize, L. P. Perry, second prize, J. L. Weaver of Waynesville; best bushel of white oats, H. P. Howell; best sheaf of German millet, H. P. Howell; best bushel of clay peas, H. P. Howell; best bushel of speckled peas, J. S. Cocke of Biltmore; best stock beets, Asheville Farm school; best red skin sugar beets, Asheville Farm school; best bushel of red sweet potatoes, Asheville Farm school; best bushel of yellow sweet potatoes, Asheville Farm school; best early Irish potatoes, Asheville Farm school; best bushel late Irish potatoes, H. N. Alexander of Swannanoa; best white field peas, H. N. Alexander; best red onions, Asheville Farm school; best white onions, Asheville Farm school; best yellow onions, [illegible]; best cucumber pickles, Asheville Farm school; best mammoth pumpkins, Asheville Farm school; best bushel tomatoes, Asheville Farm school; best fall grown snap beans, Mrs. H. T. Newton; best six vines peanuts, Richmond Pearson; best candy roasting ears, J. K. Cole, Leicester; best stalk okra, S. R. Parker, Candler; best sample of flour, diploma, Young & Anderson, Asheville; best sample of white corn meal, diploma, Young & Anderson; best white soja beans, H. P. Hayes; best black soja beans, H. P. Hayes; best bunch rhubarb, H. W. Alexander; best cotton exhibit, first premium, H. P. Hayes, second premium, Mrs. G. W. Pack; best broom corn, H. P. Hayes; best egg plant, Cherokee Indians; best black oates, E. D. Weaver.

### Fine Arts and Handiwork.

The department of fine arts and handiwork, which is in charge of Mrs. S. E. Dilworth is a most popular place. The exhibits are unusually good and the following awards were made yesterday: oil painting from nature, no contest, award of merit to Mrs. A. Haubrick of Clarksburg, W. Va.; oil painting copy, blue ribbon, premium, Miss Anna Matney of Asheville; water color [illegible] ture, blue ribbon, Miss Mary Banks of Asheville, second premium, Miss Margaret Atkins of this city; water color [illegible] Banks, second premium, Miss Anna Matney; tapestry, blue ribbon, Mrs. A. C. Barnette of this city, second premium, Mrs. William J. Cocke; pastel, blue ribbon, Mrs. W. A. Newell of Asheville, second premium, Miss Anna Matney; charcoal drawing, blue ribbon, Mrs. A. Haubrick, second premium, Miss Margaret Atkins; pen and ink drawing, blue ribbon, Mrs. A. C. Barnette, second premium, Mrs. J. L. Everhart of Asheville; pencil drawing, blue ribbon, Miss Margaret Atkins, second premium, Mrs. A. Haubrick; most varied collection of hand painted china, blue ribbon, Miss Carrie Reynolds of this city, second premium, Mrs. William J. Cocke, third premium, Miss Margaret Atkins; luster work china paintings, blue ribbon, Mrs. William J. Cocke.

### Display of Flowers.

The display of flowers under the direction of C. W. Mahon is excellent. The premiums were announced yesterday and are as follows: best and most artistically arranged collection of green house plants, blue ribbon, E. E. Brown, second premium E. C. Dickinson; best collection blooming plants, blue ribbon, E. C. Dickinson, second premium, E. E. Brown; best collection of cut flowers grown by

### Horse and Mule Awards.

Stallian light harness, first premium, C. C. Brown of Weaverville, second premium, J. K. Cole of Canton; gelding or filly, three years old or over, first premium, J. C. Arbo- [illegible] combination gelding or mare, first premium, Latt Brown; best pair of farmers' driving horses, first premium, C. C. Brown, on second award; best colt over one and under two years old, first premium, James Birret of Asheville, second premium, M. Trull of Haywood county; best colt under one year old, first premium, C. C. Brown, second premium, G. H. Gaston of Hominy; best brood mare with foal at side owned by exhibitor, C. C. Brown; best pair of mules, Caroline Coal company; best draft stallion, first premium, A. J. Broadwater of Weaverville, second premium, W. Hensley of Ball Creek; best gelding over two and under [illegible] first premium, Osborne of Clyde, N. C.; best draft filly, Jake Roberts of Alexander; draft colt under one year old, first premium, J. G. Hensley of Cane River, N. C.

### More Poultry Awards.

The following additional awards were made in the poultry department, which is in charge of S. P. Means: Buff Orphington, second cockrel and first pen, E. T. Brown of this city; first pen, Fernihurst Poultry Yards; first cockrel and third pullet, W. J. Cooke, jr.; first and second pullets, Mrs. J. M. Campbell; single comb Rhode Island Reds, first pen, J. H. Cook of Biltmore; second cockrel, H. N. Alexander of Candler, first pullet and third cokerel, E. E. Brown; first cockrel, H. Taylor Rogers; second and third pullets, W. L. Leslie of Morganton.

### Lacrosse Games.

The lacrosse games were won by Soco Creek of Jackson county, by the score of 12 to 9 and the second, which was only a practice game, was played for six points O'Connlufty won by the score of 4 to 5.

The "rub" will be played this morning at 10 o'clock and will be the hardest game of the series. It will be for blood, as a handsome prize has been offered the winners. An added attraction will be an Indian dance similar to the war dance. It will occur just before the game. The Indians are giving this extra attraction as a means of showing their appreciation for the numerous courtesies extended them while in the city.

It is believed that today's crowds will be larger than at any time since the gates were thrown open to the public in view of the fact that the county schools will observe a holiday today and the students are expected to view the exhibits by the hundreds. They will naturally be accompanied by their parents and if the weather looks favorable in the [illegible] the receipts will undoubtedly surpass [illegible]

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The amusements were varied yesterday, although on account of the fact that the balloon which fell into the river Wednesday was not recovered until yesterday afternoon, it was impossible for Mrs. Zuriah Moore to make her ascension. However, the balloon will be thoroughly dry by today and the flight will be made at 5 o'clock this afternoon. The game of lacrosse between two Indian teams will be pulled off this morning at 10:30 o'clock and the fancy shooting exhibition will be given this afternoon at 3 o'clock. This is a free attraction and will doubtless be attended by a large crowd as it is said that the exhibitions are excellent.

The awards in the department of field and garden crops, which is in charge of George S. Arthur, were announced yesterday morning and proved interesting.

J. M. Burgess of Raleigh, acted as judge and made the following awards: for the best and greatest variety of agricultural products, first prize, H. P. Howell of Waynesville; for the best bushel of white wheat, second prize, R. P. Howell; for the best bushel of red wheat, first prize, R. P. Hayes of Asheville, second prize, H. W. Alexander of Biltmore; best sheaf of red wheat, first and second prize, R. P. Howell; best bushel of white corn, first prize, S. R. Parker of Candler, second prize, R. P. Hayes; best bushel of yellow corn, first prize, H. N. Alexander of Swannanoa, second prize, R. W. Alexander; best prolific corn, R. P. Hayes; best six stalks of corn, first prize, E. D. Weaver of Waynesville second prize, L. E. Perry of Horse Shoe; best two ears of white corn, first prize, L. P. Perry, second prize, L. L. Weaver of Waynesville; best shief of white oats, R. P. Howell; best sheaf of German millet, R. P. Howell; best bushel of clay peas, R. P. Howell; best bushel of speckled peas, J. S. Cocke of Biltmore; best stock beets, Asheville Farm school; best red skin sugar beets, Asheville Farm school; best sugar beets, R. P. Hayes; best six specimens of cabbage, S. J. Luther, Candler; best six herbert squash, Asheville Farm school; best bushel of parsnips, Asheville Farm school; best bushel of carrots, Asheville Farm school; best and largest pumpkin, Mrs. [illegible]; best display of pop corn, blue ribbon to H. N. Alexander of Hominy; second best, H. N. Alexander; best red onions, Asheville Farm school; best white onions, Asheville Farm school; best yellow onions, [illegible]; best in Candler, best bushel of potatoes, Asheville Farm school; best bushel tomatoes, Asheville Farm school; best fall grown snap beans, Mrs. R. T. Newton; best six kinds peanuts, Richmond Pearson; best candy roaster, L. K. Cole, Leicester; best stalk cane, R. R. Parker, Candler; best sample of flour, diploma, Young & Anderson, Asheville; best sample of white corn meal, diploma, Young & Anderson; best white soja beans, R. P. Hayes; best black soja beans, R. P. Hayes; best bunch rhubarb, H. W. Alexander; best cotton exhibit, first premium, R. P. Hayes, second premium, Mrs. C. W. Pack; best broom corn, R. P. Hayes; best egg plant, Cherokee Indians; best black oates, E. D. Weaver.

### Fine Arts and Handiwork.

The department of fine arts and handiwork, which is in charge of Mrs. S. E. Dilworth is a most popular place. The exhibits are unusually good and the following awards were made yesterday: oil painting from nature, no contest, award of merit to Mrs. A. Haubrick of Clarksburg, W. Va.; oil painting copy, blue ribbon, premium, Miss Anna Matney of Asheville; water color painting from nature, blue ribbon, Miss Mary Baule of Asheville, second premium, Miss Margaret Atkins of this city; water color Banks, second premium, Miss Anna Matney; tapestry, blue ribbon, Mrs. A. C. Barnette of this city, second premium, Mrs. William J. Cooke; pastel, blue ribbon, Mrs. W. A. Newell of Asheville, second premium, Miss Anna Matney; charcoal drawing, blue ribbon, Mrs. A. Haubrick, second premium, Miss Margaret Atkins; pen and ink drawing, blue ribbon, Mrs. A. C. Barnette, second premium, Mrs. J. L. Everhart of Asheville; pencil drawing, blue ribbon, Miss Margaret Atkins, second premium, Mrs. A. Haubrick; most varied collection of hand painted china, blue ribbon, Miss Carrie Reynolds of this city, second premium, Mrs. William J. Cooke, third premium, Miss Margaret Atkins; luster work china paintings, blue ribbon, Mrs. William J. Cooke.

### Display of Flowers.

The display of flowers under the direction of C. W. Mahon is excellent. The premiums were announced yesterday and are as follows: best and most artistically arranged collection of green house plants, blue ribbon, E. E. Brown, second premium E. C. Dickinson; best collection blooming plants, blue ribbon, E. C. Dickinson, second premium, E. E. Brown; best collection of cut flowers grown by exhibitor, blue ribbon, E. E. Brown, second, E. C. Dickinson.

### Horses and Mules.

The exhibitors of horses and mules is very interesting and some good looking stock is shown in the stalls at the fair. C. C. Brown is director of the exhibits and the judging is done by Professor Curtis. The following premiums were announced yesterday:

mium, Latt Brown; best pair of farmers' driving horses, first premium, C. C. Brown, on second award; best colt over one and under two years old, first premium, James Birret of Asheville, second premium, M. Trull of Haywood county; best colt under one year old, first premium, C. C. Brown, second premium, H. R. Garton of Hominy; best brood mare with foal at side owned by exhibitor, C. C. Brown; best pair of mules, Caroline Goat company; best draft stallion, first premium, A. J. Broadwater of Weaverville, second premium, W. Hensley of Ball Creek; best gelding over two and under Clyde, N. C.; best draft filly, Jake Roberts of Alexander; draft colt under one year old, first premium, J. G. Hensley of Cane River, N. C.

### More Poultry Awards.

The following additional awards were made in the poultry department, which is in charge of S. P. Means: Buff Orphington, second cockrel and first pen, E. T. Brown of this city; first pen, Fernihurst Poultry Yards; first cockrel and third pullet, W. J. Cooke, jr.; first and second pullets, Mrs. J. M. Campbell; single comb Rhode Island Reds, first pen, J. E. Cook of Biltmore; second cockrel, H. N. Alexander of Candler, first pullet and third cokorel, E. E. Brown; first cockrel, H. Taylor Rogers; second and third pullets, W. L. Lasilla of Morganton.

### Lacrosse Game.

The lacrosse games were won by Soco Creek of Jackson county, by the score of 12 to 9 and the second, which was only a practice game, was played for six points O'Conalufty won by the score of 8 to 5.

The "rub" will be played this morning at 10 o'clock and will be the hardest game of the series. It will be for blood, as a handsome prize has been offered the winners. An added attraction will be an Indian dance similar to the war dance. It will occur just before the game. The Indians are giving this extra attraction as a means of showing their appreciation for the numerous courtesies extended them while in the city.

It is believed that today's crowds will be larger than at any time since the gates were thrown open to the public in view of the fact that the county schools will observe a holiday today and the students are expected to view the exhibits by the hundreds. They will naturally be accompanied by their parents and if the weather looks favorable in the morning the receipts will undoubtedly surpass

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# GRAND SHOOTING EXHIBITION

## Before Grand Stand at Riverside Park

## THIS AFTERNOON

### By Mr. and Mrs. Topperwein

of the Winchester Arms Co.

Champion Crack Shots of the World

### TODAY'S FAIR PROGRAM

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### Old Fashioned Loom

A blue ribbon was awarded Mrs. Buckett of this city on her exhibition of an old fashioned loom and spinning wheel, which are antiques, the loom being 200 years old and the wheel 175 years old. They have attracted a great deal of attention and have been viewed with interest by Nota Squirrel, an Indian girl, won a blue ribbon with her exhibition of rolls; Alice Eow, also and Indian maiden took a ribbon on her candy and the doughnuts placed on exhibition by Rachel Coswell, an Indian girl, took a blue ribbon, the land [illegible] of Miss Lillie Le[illegible] orly took a blue ribbon; Mrs. L. F. Matthews took on on her display of jelly; the bread of Mrs. Harris won adorned with a blue ribbon and the graham bread of Mrs. Arthur won one; Mrs. R. M. Wells' marble cake won a ribbon and the cocoanut candy of Mrs. R. G. Morgan took one; Mrs. Weaver of Weaverville took a ribbon on her chocolate loaf bread. Mrs. R. G. Morgan's offerings of bacon, dried fruit, angle carsup and ribbon cake won ribbons. Mrs. Ed Rhinehardt took a ribbon on her beaten biscuits, cake, Mrs. W. C. McConnell's Scripture cake got a ribbon, the cocoanut cake of Miss Lillie Leorly took a ribbon; the collection of candy of Mrs. Rawls took a ribbon and Miss Nannie McDowell took one with her fudge; Mrs. M. Hill's chocolate candy took a blue ribbon as did Mrs. W. C. McConnell's ribbon doughnuts; the three awards offered for different kinds of honey went to Dean and Mowrey.

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The Sweepstakes for the mutton class were as follows: Ram, two years old and over, first prize, A. C. Walker, second prize, Dick Sevier; ram, one year old and under two, Dick Sevier, one, two years old or over, first prize; A. C. Walker, second prize Dick Sevier, exhibitor's flock, first prize, A. C. Walker second prize.

In the wool division of the sweepstakes the following awards were made: Ram, two years old or over, E. W. Patton, whose stock won also the blue ribbons under the following heads: Ewe, two years old or over, one, one year old and under two, exhibitor's flock.

### Swine Awards

The swine department is unusually good and is attracting a great deal of attention. It is in charge of W. J. Cocke and the ribbons were awarded yesterday by Professor R. S. Curtis, of the A. & M. college, at Raleigh, who is acting as the judge of the stock. The exhibits which are made by the Blue Ridge Herald's farm do not compete for prizes. However, they were awarded complimentary blue ribbons by Professor Curtis.

In the Berkshire class, the first prize for the best boar was awarded to J. L. Allen, of Mills River; for the second best boar, to R. P. Hayes, of West Asheville; for the best sow, to C. F. Morris, of Bankton; for the best pair of pigs under six months of age, to C. F. Morris, of Bankton; for the second best pair of pigs under six months of age, to J. L. Allen, of Mills River; for the best sow and pigs, to R. P. Hayes, of West Asheville; for the second best sow and pigs, to A. A. Rea, of Asheville. In the Chester White class, the ribbons for the best boar was awarded to R. L. Luther, of Candler; for the second boar, to A. L. McCain, of West Asheville; for the best sow, to A. L. McCain, of West Asheville; for the best sow and pigs, to R. L. Luther, of Candler; for the second best sow and pigs, to R. L. Luther, of Candler. In the Duroc Jersey class, the ribbon for the best boar was awarded to Baker Edwards, of Buck Shoals; for the best sow and pigs, to J. T. Crowell, of Candler. In the Yorkshire class, the ribbon for the best boar went to the Montreallo farms, of Asheville; for the best sow and pigs, to the Montreallo farms, of Asheville. In the Poland China class, the ribbons for the best boar, the best sow, the best sow and pigs and the best pair of pigs under six months of age, were awarded to J. A. Baker, of Asheville. In the Poland China class, the ribbon for the best boar was awarded to J. H. Jordon, of Hendersonville. In the Tamworth class, all the ribbons were awarded to Frank Littleford, of Skyland. The following awards were made in the sweepstakes: R. L. Allen, Berkshire boar and Monk A. Webb, and the second prize was won by W. Hensley. T. H. C. Cogburn took a blue ribbon on his Ramsdell with the exhibit of C. A. Webb was adorned with a blue ribbon on the Ben Davis class and R. P. Atkinson got away with the second prize; in the Black Ben Davis class, the blue ribbon was awarded to Charles A. Webb, and W. Hensley captured the second prize; I. B. Pless took the blue ribbon on his display of Black Hoovers, and the second premium was won by Bolling Hall; W. Hensley won the blue ribbons in the Shockley and Delicious classes; the Red Limbertwig exhibit of E. B. Atkinson took a blue ribbon and Charles A. Webb took the second prize; A. T. Davis, of Candler, won a blue ribbon on his Royal Limbertwigs and E. B. Atkinson got the second premium; the exhibit of Richards of L. R. Gills took a blue ribbon and C. A. Webb's offerings took the second premium; the exhibit of Jonathans of R. P. Johnson won a blue ribbon and Mrs. M. H. Cone got the second prize in this class; the Northern Spy blue ribbon was given to R. P. Johnson and the second premium was awarded to Mrs. M. H. Cone; C. A. Webb took a blue ribbon on his Missouri Pippins; E. B. Atkinson got the blue ribbon; the first premium for the Falls Water was awarded to F. H. C. Cogburn, and the second prize went to W. Hensley for the Bonums. R. P. Johnson took the first prize and W. Hensley took the second prize. W. Hensley took a blue ribbon on the M. C. Peterk Seedlings as well as on his display of Jack Seedlings. Rollin Greens, Holland Pippins, Shannon Pippins, the Gills Flower blue ribbon went to R. P. Johnson; the Sheeps' Nose first award was won by F. H. C. Cogburn and W. Hensley took the second prize as well as the first prize for the Winter Johnsons. A. T. Davis took a blue ribbon on his Edmondsons as well as his Davis Seedlings and Delaware Reds; F. H. C. Cogburn took the first premium on the exhibits of Winter Cheese and Dudley Pippins; W. Hensley took the first honors on the Sweet Cider exhibit; the Cogburn Pippin was awarded to Rodda Cogburn, who also took away with the blue ribbon in the Snow class; R. L. Giles' exhibit of Improved Stems took a blue ribbon; Monmouth Pippin's blue ribbon went to Bolling Hall, as did the premium on the Seedlings. The exhibit of Hensley's exhibits took the first premium and the blue ribbon in the Lady [illegible] was awarded to C. Hensley, of Ivey; Mrs. M. H. Cone won a blue ribbon on her Grimes and R. P. Johnson won one on the Never Fails; C. A. Webb got the first premium and the blue ribbon in the Lady H. C. Cogburn was awarded the blue ribbon on his exhibit of Lamaford Seedlings.

The prize offered by the Hans Hors[illegible] first cock, first, second and third pullets, A. E. Eve, of this city; light Brahmas, first pen, first, and second cockrels, first and second pullets, first and second hens, Fernihurst Poultry yards; dark iron, third pullet, third cockrel, J. W. Baity of Asheville; buff leghorns, first pen, J. M. Campbell; second pen, first pullet, first hen, A. E. Eve; white leghorns, first pen, second and third hens, third pullet, C. C. Brant, of Sulphur Springs; first cock, first hen, J. E. Gudger of this city; second and third pens, first and second pullets, second cockrels, third cock, E. Q. Nell; third cockrel, Fernihurst Poultry yards; second cock, Paul P. Brown; single comb brown leghorns, first pen, first, second and third hens, first and second cockrels, W. V. Palmer, first pullet, Boney Bradley of West Asheville; mottled anconias, first cockrel, first, second and third pullets, Ralph Lee; buttercups, first cockrel, first, second and third pullets, Fernihurst Poultry yards; Hamburgs, first and second cocks, first and second hens, J. C. H. Wilson; silver spangled Hamburgs, first, second and third cocks, first and second hens, first cockrel, first pullet, J. C. H. Wilson; Sebright Bantams, first and third cocks, first, second and third hens, first pullet, J. C. H. Wilson; second pullet, Harbin Nell; buff cochin bantams, second cock, Vess Lyman of Asheville, white booted cochin bantams, first, second and third cockrels, first pullet, J. C. H. Wilson; pit games, first, second and third pullets, first cockrel, J. A. Owens of Asheville; first cock and first hen, A. E. Eve; best pair of calvins, T. O. Glenn of Asheville; best collection of Belgian hares, best doe with young, best buck, T. L. Sams of Mars Hill; second best collection of rabbits, Ben M. Jones, jr., of this city; [illegible] Warren.

An excellent display of single comb Rhode Island reds was shown by T. [illegible] of Clover, S. C., who did not compete for cash prizes. He was awarded the ribbon for the first cockrel, first, second and third pullets and first pen in open class.

### Special Award

Miss Dunlap, of Arden, was awarded a blue ribbon on her exhibition of a beagle hound and four pups.

### New Attractions Today

It was announced last night that some extra attractions would be added today in the shape of a fourteen weeks old educated colt, "Polly Vardon," the youngest ever exhibited; the celebrated singing dog, "Caruso," the dancing dog, "Queen," a wild cat and her kittens, and a collection of beautiful dogs. These will be shown on a stage in the skating rink.

### Hand Made Furniture.

The blue ribbon offered for the best hand made piece of furniture was won by William P. Hayes, the son of R. P. Hayes, of West Asheville, that young man having displayed strongly

Oconalufty River: Ned Hill, Soggy M. Hill, Ute Shell, Blame Hill, Jake Saunooke, Moses Powell, Arseen Thompson, Jesse Youngblood, Willie Reed.

Soco Creek: Lacy Armachain, Soggy Youngblood, William Welch, Charlie Blackfox, Jimpsie Johnson, Osale Crow, Josiah Long, Israel Hornbuckle, John Swimmer.

There will be another game today at 2.30 p. m. and still another tomorrow at 10:30 a. m.

### Management Pleased

The fair management hopes for even better crowds the remainder of the week than on the opening day. However, they are well satisfied and it is reasonably certain that all who attended yesterday are equally satisfied.

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ford, of Skyland. The following awards were made in the sweepstakes: J. L. Allen, Berkshire boar and Montreal's farms, Yorkshire boar; C. F. Morris, Berkshire sow; R. P. Hayes, Berkshire sow and pigs; C. F. Morris, Berkshire pair of pigs under six months of age.

**Native Woods Shown.**

Some excellent exhibits were entered in the departments of native woods. The first premium for the best display of undressed North Carolina woods was won by the McKesson Lumber company, while the blue ribbon for the best display of dressed North Carolina woods was tied to the exhibit of the Asheville Woodworking company. J. M. English is in charge of these exhibits.

The department of horticultural and agricultural exhibits, which is in charge of C. W. Maxon, and which is judged by Major W. A. Graham, commissioner of agriculture, and C. M. Garren, also of the state department, is also earning no little favorable comment. The display of apples is unusually attractive and compares well with that of any state fair.

**Fine Display of Apples.**

For the best barrel of apples, the first premium was awarded to Boling Hall, of Waynesville, and the second went to R. P. Johnson, of Waynesville. For the best box of apples, Boling Hall took the blue ribbon and R. P. Johnson got away with the second premium. The blue ribbon for the York Imperial apples was awarded to Mrs. M. H. Cone, of Blowing Rock and the second went to Boling Hall of Waynesville; for the best exhibit of Baldwins F. H. C. Cogburn took the blue ribbon; Mrs. M. H. Cone of Blowing Rock was awarded the first premium on her exhibit of Rome Beauties and L. B. Plest, of Crusoe, took the second prize; for the Blayman's Winesap exhibit, R. P. Johnson took a blue ribbon and the second premium went to Charles A. Webb of this city; the next premium in the exhibit of Virginia Beauties was awarded to F. H. C. Cogburn, and W. Hensley, of Hall Creek, took the second; in the exhibit of Wealthy apples, the first prize, W. Hansley took the blue ribbon; E. B. Atkinson, of Asheville, got a blue ribbon on his display of Winesaps and R. P. Johnson was awarded the second premium; C. A. Webb's exhibit of Buffs took a blue ribbon and the first prize for the Gano class went to Ed. Cogburn, of Crusoe, while the second was awarded to L. E. Gibb, of Sandy Mush. In the Grimes' Golden class, the blue ribbon was awarded to Boling Hall, and R. P. Johnson took the second prize; the Mammoth Black Twig first prize went to J. P. Dillingham, of Democrat, and W. Hensley took the second prize; for his display of Spitzbergens A. T. Davis, of Candler, took the blue ribbon and R. P. Johnson was awarded the second prize; the Newton Pippin exhibit of R. P. Johnson took a blue ribbon and the second

Seedlings.

The prize offered by the Hans Jews Song tannery for the best display of six varieties was awarded to F. H. C. Cogburn.

**Beautiful Flowers.**

The exhibits of flowers in the floriculture department show up exceedingly well and have attracted many admirers. They are in charge of C. W. Mason and the judging was done by Mrs. H. A. Tate, of Old Fort. The work of the judges was completed although the awards will not be announced until today. The best specimen plant submitted by an amateur was that of Mrs. H. T. Rogers, and the second was won by Mrs. C. M. McIver. For the best collection of cut flowers shown by the exhibitor, Mrs. A. E. Duckett took the blue ribbon and the second prize was awarded to Mrs. R. T. Newton.

**Poultry Ribbons Awarded.**

[illegible] are attracting no little attention. S. P. Moore has charge of this department and the judge is E. B. Jeffrey of Raleigh. The judgings have been completed and show the following winnings: Sweepstakes pen, R. E. Warren, West Asheville; partridge Wyandottes; second sweepstakes pen, W. T. Palmer, of Asheville, Single comb brown leghorns; best display, Fernihurst Poultry yards, John Pons, manager; second best display, J. G. H. Williamson, Waynesville; best collection of turkeys, Fernihurst Poultry yards; best collection of ducks, Ralph Lee of Asheville; best collection of geese, Oliver Parham of Sulphur Springs; first and second pair of Indian runner ducks, Ralph Lee; third pair, L. H. McCain, of this city; first and second pair of colored Muscovy ducks, Fernihurst Poultry yards; barred rocks, first pen, Miss Maude Hendricks of Asheville; second pen, J. H. Case, of Asheville; first and third pullets, J. H. Case; third pullet, Curley Haskill, buffed rocks, first and second pullets, first cock, second hen, Mrs. J. H. McConnell; white rocks, first pen, Paul P. Brown of Asheville; first cockrel, first, second, third hens, J. C. H. Wilson, white orpingtons, first second, third hens, second cockrel, second and third pullets, E. L. Neil of this city; first and third cockrels, first pullet; W. H. Iron of Asheville; buff orpingtons, first cockrel, first pullet, W. J. Cocke, jr., of this city; first hen, Fernihurst Poultry yards; second cockrel, first hen, E. T. Brown of Asheville; white wyandottes, first cockrel, first and second pullets, B. W. Cherry, Hendersonville; silver lace wyandottes, first cockrel, first, second, third pullets, first pen, W. B. Penland of West Asheville; partridge wyandottes, first and second pens, first and second cocks, first, second and third hens, second and third cockrels, first and second pullets, R. B. Warner; third pullet, third cockrel, third pen, Leroy Cabe, columbian wyandottes, first, second and third

R. P. Hayes, of West Asheville, that young man having displayed strongly [illegible] well.

The firms which have exhibits at the fair are gaining some good advertising, the displays are being carefully examined. An exhibit which was finished yesterday and opened last night was that of W. A. Ward, which attracts a great deal of attention with its hundreds of lights and electrical fixtures.

**Women's Work.**

In the woman's department the hammered brass exhibition of Max Rosen is good and he does the work "while you wait." Mrs. Gilliard Tennent's exhibition of wood carving hand rubbed in oil attracts much favorable comment and the beaten brass work of Mrs. R. W. Pitcher, of Asheville, shows up well. The pantry exhibits are unusually good and when the winners of ribbons and diplomas are announced, those who win may feel as if their articles are really worthy, as competition is fierce.

The woman's department is in charge of Mrs. Dilworth, and the pantry department, which is in charge of Mrs. Frank Israel, are popular resorts with the women and the men don't hesitate to take advantage of viewing the excellent exhibits in both.

**Amusement Features.**

The amusement side of the fair is good and the midway is well patron[illegible]

[illegible] afternoon was a free [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

# West Asheville Newspaper Articles

## Articles from 1912-13

# CITIZENS OF WEST ASHEVILLE CONFER

## MATTERS OF INTEREST TO TOWN DISCUSSED

### Action Deferred on Question of Laying Sidewalks Until Street Line is Established

At a well attended meeting of the citizens of West Asheville last night a number of matters of interest to the town were discussed and committees provided for, after which adjournment was taken to meet on Friday night February 2.

Rutherford P. Hayes was made chairman of the meeting, which decided to continue the committee on the matter of going before the county commissioners in regard to laying out a road from the concrete bridge to a point near the Odd Fellows hall. The same committee was also instructed to go before the commissioners on the question of laying out a forty-two foot road through the town as was heretofore ordered. The commissioners will be asked to send an engineer to the grounds for the purpose of staking off the street. The question of laying some sidewalks was discussed but action was deferred until the street line is established. It was stated that some of the streets were in bad condition and should be remedied especially on account of school children.

The charter granted to the sanitary district of West Asheville by the last legislature, making it a corporation, provided for a board of three men. Since the charter was received, one by one the members of the original board resigned until at present the board consists of all new members, hence the town does not know where it stands, legally speaking. In order to ascertain what authority the board has, a committee will be appointed by Chairman Hayes to consult J. C. Martin, who was in the legislature at the time the charter was granted.

The water situation was discussed, but no definite action was taken owing to the fact that the charter of the West Asheville Water Supply company has not been received. The committee to solicit stock reported that it was making progress and it is hoped that the charter will be received by the time the next meeting is held.

Asheville Citizen January 20, 1912

# WEST ASHEVILLE STORE IS ROBBED

**McElrath and Son Loses to the Extent of $1,266.—Safe and Front Door Left Unlocked.**

McElrath & Son's grocery store in West Asheville was entered last Friday night and $1,266 stolen. Charley McElrath, the junior member of the firm on going home at night forgot to lock the safe in which he placed the sum of $1,266. And on going home he also forgot to lock the front door of the store.

There is a double door in the front of the building, one side being fastened by a railroad spike being pushed through a hole in the floor on the inside, and the other side fastened to this with a lock. On the night of the robbery Mr. McElrath failed to put the spike in place, so all any one had to do in order to enter was to give the door a push, and in this manner the store was entered.

Officers have been working on the case, but have not been able to find a clue as to the guilty party.

Asheville Citizen March 24, 1912

# CHARLES M'ELRATH LOSES MORE MONEY

In the court of Justice of the Peace W. R. Gudger yesterday afternoon Ed Sams was discharged, having been tried charged with the larceny of $140 from the pocket of Charles McElrath, of West Asheville. It was alleged that McElrath was intoxicated Sunday afternoon and was at the house of Laura Blankenship, at which time he missed that sum of money. Sams was suspected and McElrath requested a warrant for his arrest.

McElrath, it will be recalled, is the man who complained Saturday morning that his store had been broken into the night before when he alleged a large sum of money had been stolen.

Asheville Citizen March 26, 1912

# W. ASHEVILLE SCHOOL SPRING TERM CLOSES

## MANY PUPILS HAVE MADE FINE RECORDS PAST TERM

### Mack Brown of Seventh Grade has not Been Absent or Tardy for Five Years.

The spring term of the West Asheville graded school closed yesterday, appropriate exercises having been carried out at the school building. Report cards were presented and certificates and diplomas were awarded.

Having gone through the entire year without being tardy or absent, certificates were awarded to the following pupils: Margaret James, Elsie Taylor, Madeline Towe, Clyde Cothran, Roy Cothran, Lonnie Crook, Ruth Jones, William Lashley, Lyman Lance, Walter Lee McKenzie, Mamie Wilson, Dixie Cole, Jessie Cole, Jack Walsh, Susie Moore, Cortelyou Roberts, Mabel Alexander, Florence Parris, Paul Pitillo, Hubert Hayes, Lester Morrison, Evelyn Lashley, Thomas Creasman, Albert Hampton, Roy Pinner, Thelma Boyles, Cora Holcom, Mary Reynolds, Jessie Davis, Allyn Blackwell, Mack Brown, Lonnie Wright.

Mack Brown, a member of the seventh grade, has not been absent or tardy once during the past five years. Lester Morrison, of the fourth grade, has a similar record for three years.

DIPLOMAS were presented by superintendent of County Schools A. C. Reynolds to the following members of the graduating class: Clara Davis, Lillian McCallum, Bessie McCrumm,

Asheville Citizen March 28, 1912

# J. M. M'ELREATH & SON IN RECEIVER'S HANDS

## CREDITORS FILE SUIT OF INVOLUNTARY BANKRUPTCY

### Same Firm Which it is Claimed Was Robbed of Over $1,000 Recently.

An involuntary case of bankruptcy was filed in the office of the clerk of the United States court yesterday afternoon against M. J. McElreath & Son, of West Asheville, at the instance of the Brown-Ross Shoe company, of Knoxville, Cowan, McClung & company, of Knoxville and Cox Hat company, of Bristol. Certificate was issued to the referee by the clerk, as Judge Boyd was absent from this district or the court. McElreath & Son have accepted service of the papers in the case, and it is said that they will admit being in bankruptcy.

At the request of the petitioning creditors, Floyd Pennell was appointed receiver last night to take charge of the affairs of the company.

About two weeks ago the junior partner of this firm claimed to have been robbed of over a thousand dollars. He had placed this amount of money in a safe in the store, and, on going home at night, left the safe unlocked and also left the front door of the store unfastened. Some one, it is said, entered the store that night and took the money out of the safe, and though the officers have been working on the case, they have been unable so far to find any clue to the guilty party. Two days after this, McElreath had a considerable amount also taken from his pockets while he was under the influence of whiskey. A young man who was present at the time the robbery was alleged to have taken place was arrested, charged with having committed the larceny, but was found not guilty.

Asheville Citizen April 3, 1912

The following is the program for the entertainment to be given by the

# BALM GROVE BARACA CLASS

## FRIDAY APRIL 12

## At Odd Fellows Hall, West Asheville

**PROGRAMME**

"Old Black Joe"—Hugh Miller and Mixed Quartette

Solo—"All Alone" ..... Mrs. Decker

**NIGGER NIGHT SCHOOL**

Characters:

Dr. Sloe ..... Hugh Miller

Andy White, Zeke Johnsing, Sam Snow, Pete Persimmon, Crawford Penland, Herbert Johnson, Roy Anderson, Jack Atkinson—His Evening pupils.

Deferal White ..... Eugene Davis.

Quartette.

**DARKEY WOOD DEALER**

Characters:

Deacon Decker ....Walter McRary

Mrs. Decker .....Oran Penland

Clevendall, the Wood Dealer, ..... Arthur Whitney

Solo.

"Pickaninny Band" Herbert Johnson and Quartette.

Asheville Citizen April 11, 1912

# TEACHERS ELECTED AT WEST ASHEVILLE

**All But One Re-elected.—Teachers Hold Last Meeting of Year Saturday.**

At a recent meeting of the school board of the West Asheville high school, the following teachers were reelected: J. W. Bradley, principal, R. H. Edwards, Mrs. J. W. Bradley, Miss Bessie Morgan, Miss Minnie Jones, Miss Jonnie Whitson, Miss Eleanor Hilderbrand. Miss Lillie Stephenson would also have been reelected, but she has decided that she will not teach next year.

There will be a meeting of the teachers of Buncombe county held in the high school building Saturday morning at 11 o'clock, and a large attendance is expected. The teachers of the free schools of the county have a regular course of study arranged by the state department of education, there being seven meetings held annually.

Saturday concludes the meetings to be held this year. The first meeting for next year will be held on June 1.

Professor Reynolds says that this year has been a remarkably successful one, the various schools having shown a decided improvement over the year before, with, of course, a few exceptions.

If the special school tax that is expected to be voted upon is carried, it is thought that the schools of Buncombe can be made equal to those of any county in the county.

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# OAKDALE HEIGHTS

**On Bingham School Road---A Beautiful Sub-Division**

**35 Attractive Building Lots 35**
**Road to be Macadamized**

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As suburban home property, this Sub-Division can't be equaled.

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Property close to this is being held at $600 to $800 per acre, and yet, we offer you these lots at whatever they will bring to highest bidder.

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Asheville Citizen April 30, 1912

# ATTENTION

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# Daniel Webster Flour

Phone them for a bag if you have not tried it. Quality unexcelled.

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T. G. Baird, 152 Montford Ave.
W. A. Davis, 41 South Main St.
Felmet Bros., 349 West Haywood St.
Frank S. Foster, 356 Depot St.
J. F. Hayes, 277 North Main St.
V. V. Haynie, Corner East and N. Main St.
Heller & Co., 414 Southside.
Mord Hyams, 130 North Main St.
E. C. Jarrett, 12 North Pack square.
J. H. Leonardi, 155 South Main.
W. B. Nixton, 170 Charlotte St.
Ownbey & Son, 25 Montford Ave.
C. Sawyer, 53 Patton Ave.
Harry Seigle, 54 Woodfin St.
J. F. Sims, 168 Patton Ave.
G. F. Stradley, 3 Pack Square.
J. L. Welch & Co., 549 W. Haywood St.
Yates & McGuire, 23 Haywood St.
Zimmerman & Son, 428 Depot St.
J. T. Hunt, 418 Depot St.
Kroger Grocery, 240 Patton Ave.
G. P. Hamrick, 74 Charlotte St.
Rawls & Hayes, 161 South Main St.
D. H. Webb, South Main St.
R. W. Harkins, Patton Ave.
Groves Grocery Co., 116 Patton Ave.
McLean & Anders, 100 Patton Ave.
A. Michalove, 15 Furman Ave.
J. D. Maney & Son, R. F. D. No. 1, Asheville, N. C.
Geo. Fulcher, Black Mountain, N. C.
Morgan-Kinsey Co., Black Mountain, N. C.
Yates & McGuire Co., Black Mountain, N. C.
H. J. Olive, 548 West Haywood St.
W. R. Carter, West Asheville.
Geo. W. Fairchild, West Asheville, N. C.
A. M. Young, West Asheville, N. C.
W. P. Kilpatrick, Ashland Ave. and Silver Sts.
Sands & Co., Depot St.
T. L. Trantham, Biltmore.
Maney Bros., Biltmore.

## ROGERS GROCERY COMPANY

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Asheville Citizen June 16, 1912

# AUTO DRIVERS MUST SECURE LICENSES

**When Police Are Doubtful They Will Stop Cars and Demand Presentation of Card.**

Owing to the fact that a number of persons are making the practice of driving automobiles without having taken out the required license, Chief of Police D. K. Lyerly has ordered the members of the police department to stop the drivers of all machines whom they are not satisfied have passed the required examinations and demand the presentation of their license card. If the necessary certificate is not produced the person driving the machine will be immediately arrested.

While this will be of considerable inconvenience both to the police department and to the drivers who have taken out their license, it is considered necessary for the proper enforcement of the automobile ordinance. Chief Lyerly said yesterday that the department will not begin upon the task for a few days yet, as he wishes to give all owners of automobiles a chance to take out their license.

This rule will not apply to tourists who are here only for a short stay. However, if they stay for a month or more, they will also be required to take out a license.

Asheville Citizen July 24, 1912

JULY 25, 1912.

# BEAUTIFUL HOUSE BEING TORN DOWN

**Mansion Obstructs View From Biltmore House and is Ordered Torn Down and Removed.**

Because it obstructs the landscape view from Biltmore House, not to any considerable extent but in a slight degree only, a residence costing $35,000 near Inanda has been ordered demolished by Mr. Vanderbilt and part of the house is already down.

This residence was built some fifteen years ago by Mrs. Mitchell, a sister-in-law of the late Marshall Field of Chicago, and was purchased a few years ago by Mr. Vanderbilt when he acquired considerable acreage near Inanda. He had no wish for the house itself but desired the land because it jutted into his territory and now this beautiful and costly mansion is to cease to exist because it interferes with a view of the western mountains.

The residence has 30 rooms, large and spacious apartments, and was built of material which has since so increased in cost that it is said that $50,000 would be required at this time to replace it. There are hardwood floors, doors veneered in different costly woods, great timber girders, shingles of heart cypress as good as new, 50,000 brick, and quantities of cut stone, wainscoating finished to the last degree and no small amount of stained glass. All that Mr. Vanderbilt will get for this costly pile is what was paid him for the material.

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House built around 1897

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# FAMILY FROM GERMANY TAKES LEASE ON FARM

**Sent Here by German Consul and Will try Scientific Farming.—Advance Guard of Colony.**

Theo Roehle, her five sons, two daughters and a daughter-in-law, have leased the Kent farm in West Asheville for a period of three years and will devote their time to stock raising, dairying and scientific farming. The members of the family are Germans and have been in Asheville only a few days, having been sent to this city by the German consul at New York, upon their arrival in the United States and request that they be advised where they could settle in a land of good climatic conditions, farming facilities and congenial people.

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The fact that these people have moved to this section of the state upon the advice of the German consul will be learned with interest in Asheville and the advent of more of their countrymen to the United States and the Land of the Sky is being looked forward to.

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# MILL STRIKE COMES TO ABRUPT FINISH

## After Two Days of Idleness Striking Weavers Return to Work at the Old Scale.

The strike experienced by the Asheville Cotton mills when a number of the weavers struck their looms because of the refusal of the company to raise their wages has come to an end, a representatives of the company having stated yesterday that the men who have been out of work for past two days have agreed to return to their regular places in the weaving room today or Monday. It is expected that all of the employes who walked out when the mill owners failed to grant their request for more wages will be at work by Monday morning and the work will be conducted without interruption.

The strikers, it is said, failed to score a point, having agreed to return to work at the scale of wages which the company had announced that would go into effect. This scale allows ninety-per cent of the weavers an increase of ten per cent and the increase of wages was made voluntarily. It was after the notice was posted that the strikers asked for an additional raise, which they failed to receive.

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# The Asheville School

## Sulpher Springs, N. C.

There seems to be a complete unanimity of opinion among educators and others interested in the subject, regarding this section of Western North Carolina, as a location for educational institutions, and without exception the schools that have been established in Asheville and this region, have been most successful, and are in a flourishing condition. When the principals of the Asheville school, which has become one of the leading high-grade schools for boys in the country, were looking for a location, they carefully studied the entire region east of the Mississippi river, and came to the conclusion that the country around Asheville was superior in every way. The site they finally selected is about five miles west of Asheville, with which it is connected by the Southern railway, and an excellent macademized road. Containing about 700 acres, it is bounded on the east by Hominy creek, which furnishes excellent canoeing for several miles. A dam of reinforced concrete built across Ragsdale creek makes a pond about a mile in length, which is used for swimming, boating and other aquatic sports. The buildings and playgrounds are situated 150 feet above the level of these waters and much of the surrounding land is sufficently level to make fine fields for baseball, football, tennis, golf and other sports. Much of the remaining land belonging to the school is densely wooded, and the surrounding country furnishes a magnificent panorama of never ending delight. Within two miles, north and south, mountains rise to a height of 4,000 feet. On the east is the range of the Black mountains culminating in Mount Mitchell, 6,700 feet, the highest peak east of the Mississippi. On the west are the Balsam mountains and ranges of the Blue Ridge. Before the buildings were erected the most modern schools in the country were inspected, and they are the result of an earnest study of the very best they had to offer as well as of the original ideas of the principals and nothing has been left undone to make the group complete. Every modern improvemnt and convenience has been incorporated, and nothing seems lacking. Special attention has been paid to the healthfulness of the place, the drainage is perfect, all sewage being carried more than a mile and emptied into a swift flowing stream. The school has its own gardens and dairy which furnish an

a group of buildings for athletic sports. These buildings will insure the regular daily exercise of every pupil, in varied and pleasant sports, regardless of weather or condition of ground. The buildings will be constructed of brick in harmony with the other buildings of the school. They will be well lighted and thoroughly ventilated. Their length will exceed 330 feet. Section A will contain five squash courts; section E can be arranged for four basketball courts or two places for indoor baseball or one large roller skating rink; section F will be a gallery for visitors and will have a seating capacity of two hundred; section H will be the entrance hall and office; section L is to be two stories in height. The upper floor will contain a complete equipment of regular gymnasium apparatus and the rowing machines. The lower floor will contain the locker room and shower baths; section T will be entirely for the swimming pool which is to be twenty feet wide and seventy feet long; section N is to be a balcony for visitors. The principals, Newton Mitchell Anderson and Charles Andrews Mitchell, have given especial thought to the coures of study, their purpose being to prepare boys to enter any college or technical school, and to give a sound education to those who intend to go from school immediately into business life. In the selection and order of studies they have largely followed the recommendations of the committee on college entrance requirements appointed by the National Educational association, to suggest ideal coures of study for secondary schools. During the first two forms, the so-called grammar or intermediate grades, the course of study is nearly the same for all the boys. For the upper four forms there are two coures of study, the classical and the scientific. The former prepares boys to enter the academical department of any college or university, while the latter prepares for technical schools and gives a thorough English education. In each of these courses, although the principle election is recognized, as for instance between French and German in the classical course, yet a certain number of constants is required. The study of English, mathematics, history, science and mechanical training is required of all pupils, and the study of some foreign language, ancient or modern, is required in the scientific course, as being necessary to a liberal education. Certificates

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# THE BINGHAM SCHOOL FOR BOYS

## Established 1793 and Since 1891 Located on the Asheville Plateau.

## Has the Highest Testimonials From the United States Government, Military Departments of North Carolina and Presidents of Universities

No educational institution in the country for the training of boys stands higher, or has a better record, than the Bingham School, located on Bingham Heights, three miles from Asheville. Its alumni can be found in every state of the union, as well as in many foreign countries, and every year since it was founded in 1793, a century and a quarter ago, has been one of growth and progress both in the number of its students, and in prestige. Located on a bluff 250 feet above the beautiful French Broad the situation is ideal, and was selected by Col. Bingham, after about fifty sites had been offered by various cities of the south and central west. The superintendent early realized that this section of Western North Carolina, of which Asheville is the metropolis, was destined to be one of the greatest educational centres of America on account of the salubrity of its climate, its healthfulness, easy accessibility, charming surroundings, and numerous other advantages. Since removing his famous school here, a number of other high grade institutions have followed the example of Col. Bingham and within the last decade three schools from the north, and a similar number from the south, have located in the Asheville plateau. The Bingham School was founded in 1793 by Rev. William Bingham, the grandfather of the present headmaster, and owner, who

ly new departure from the three or four-story buildings, erected in many cases by some firm or corporation, for show rather than utility. In the planning of these buildings to accommodate 136 pupils, two in a room; and one in a bed, cost and mere show were entirely subordinated to health, safety and utility. Much more pretentious structures on the usual plan could have been erected for about two thirds of the cost of those at Bingham. As a provision for health the buildings are on the cottage plan. The dormitories and class rooms are all of brick in eight sections, and placed on both sides of a street 75 feet wide. They are but one story high and one room deep so that each pupil gets air and light in his quarters from two opposite directions. The sun shines in each room sometime during each day, and all of them are automatically ventilated. The class rooms in the centre of each section are kept free from vitiated air by having no communication with the dormitories, and this plan has been pronounced to be superior by visitors, to anything they have seen elsewhere. The school grounds contain about 200 acres offering ample space for military and athletic exercises, for the kitchen garden supplying the table constantly with fresh vegetables, and for pasturage for a herd of fine cattle, tested against disease by the most

a B. A., M. A., and L. L. L., of that institution. Maj. R. T. Grinnan, the vice superintendent is a graduate of the University of Virginia in mathematics Latin and French; Major S. R. McKee is a B. A., and M. A., of Davidson college and Ph. D., of Johns Hopkins. Major E. E. Greenwood was educated at Harvard, the College of France and the Alliance Francaise, Paris. Capt. J. M. Hays is an alumni of Trinity, and a B. A., of the University of Virginia. Capt. R. W. Winston, B. A., of University of North Carolina, Capt. W. L. Webster, B. A., of Washington and Lee University, and Capt. A. F. Kibler, B. S., assistant commandant comes from the Virginia Military Institute. The United States army officer, Clyde R. Abraham, who fills the chair of military science and tactics has been assigned by the war department. The members of the faculty are public-spirited and progressive men who are always ready and willing to lend a helping hand to any cause that is for the welfare of old Asheville.

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failed to pass the examinations, and as many as five Bingham men have been graduated with high distinction from West Point in recent years, one of whom was recalled from the U. S. army as a teacher there for thirteen years, and another is teaching at West Point now. A Bingham graduate won a fellowship at Princeton some years ago which entitled him to three years in Europe, and he was called from a professorship in Cornell to a professorship in the University of Wisconsin, where he is now. Bingham graduates have distinguished themselves at Harvard, at the Boston School of Technology, at Cornell, at Lehigh, at Yale, at the University of Texas, at Tulane and at all other colleges which they have attended, and at the present time Bingham graduates are leading their classes at the University of North Carolina, at the University of Virginia, at Princeton and at Yale.

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Bingham alumni have been senators and representatives from many states. They have been governors of many states. They have occupied the highest judicial positions in many states; and one, as a state chief justice, was for many years the only American judge whose decisions were quoted in Europe. They have been distinguished laywers, distinguished physicians, distinguished clergymen, distinguished agriculturists and the most distinguished privats citizens in many states. Three governors of North Carolina in immediate succession were its alumni, an honor which has been conferred on no other school in the country by its alumni in the state or out of the state of its location as far as has been ascertained.

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# AUTO DAMAGED WHEN HIT BY A STREET CAR

**Dr. Gruner's Machine Struck by Trolley Car in West Asheville.—Miss Reelle is Injured.**

The automobile of Dr. E. P. Gruner is said to have been almost completely demolished and Miss Reelle, of this city, was bruised considerably, late Sunday night, when the machine was struck by a street car in West Asheville. Dr. Gruner was driving his machine and was accompanied by a number of friends who were in the car at the time of the accident. He was in the act of crossing the street car track, on the West Asheville road, according to his statement, when his motor stalled. The car stopped directly in front of the street car which was rapidly approaching and it is said that the motorman was unable to stop the car in time to avoid the accident.

The occupants of the automobile jumped to safety, although they sustained several bruises as a result of their jumps, and when the automobile was hit, it was overturned and very badly damaged, according to reports.

Dr. Gruner has owned the car only a short time, having purchased it a few weeks ago.

The street car was not damaged and none of the occupants were injured.

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## STREET CAR SCHEDULE IN EFFECT JUNE 30,-1912.

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| ZILLICOA AND RETURN | 6:00, 6:15, 6:30 a. m. |
| RIVERSIDE PARK | 6:30 and every 15 min. until 11 p. m. |
| DEPOT VIA SOUTHSIDE AVENUE | 6:45 and 6:00 a. m. and every 15 min until 1:15 p. m.; then every 7 1-2 min. until 3:45 p. m. Then every 15 min. until 11:00. |
| DEPOT VIA FRENCH BROAD AVE., | 6:00 and every 15 minutes until 11:00 p. m. |
| MANOR | 6:00 a. m. and every 15 minutes till 11:00 p. m. |
| CHARLOTTE STREET TERMINUS | 7:00 a. m. then every 15 minutes till 11:00 p. m. |
| PATTON AVENUE | 6:00 a. m. and every 15 minutes till 11:00 p. m. |
| EAST STREET | 6:00 a. m. and every 15 minutes till 11:00 p. m. |
| GRACE VIA MERRIMON AVENUE | 6:00 a. m. and every 30 minutes till 8:00 a. m. Then every 15 minutes till 10:30 p. m. Then every 30 minutes till 11:00 p. m. |
| BILTMORE | 6:15 a. m. and then every 15 minutes till 10:30 p. m. Then every 30 min. till 11:00, last car. |
| DEPOT & W. ASHEVILLE VIA SOUTHSIDE AVE. | 6:45 and 6:00 a. m. and every 30 min. till 11:00 p. m., last car. |

Sunday schedule differs in the following particulars:

Car leaves Square for Manor at 6:00 a. m., return 6:15.

Cars leave Square for Depot via Southside Ave. 6:15, 6:30, 7:00, 7:30, 8:00 and 8:30 a. m. Cars leave Square for Depot via French Broad Ave 6:15, 6:30, 6:45, 7:15, 7:45 and 8:15.

Car for Depot leaves Square 8:45, both Southside and French Broad.

First car leaves Square for Charlotte street at 8:45.

First car leaves Square for Riverside 8:30, next 8:45

First car for West Asheville, leaves Square 8:30.

With the above exceptions, Sunday schedules commence at 9 a. m. and continue same as week days.

On evenings when entertainments are in progress at Auditorium the last trip on all lines will be from entertainment, leaving Square at regular time and holding over at Auditorium. Car leaves Square to meet 10 night train 30 minutes before schedule of announced arrival.

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# MARKED SUCCESS ATTENDS OPENING OF THE W.N.C. FAIR

## Exhibits Are Many and Varied and Every Feature Proves Pleasant Surprise—Hon. Locke Craig Chief Speaker Yesterday.

The second annual fair of the Western North Carolina Fair association had a very brilliant and successful opening yesterday, when thousands of people from all parts of this section of the state thronged the fair grounds, heard the speeches with which the exhibition was opened and viewed the many varied and attractive exhibits, which have been entered in all of the departments.

Upon the arrival of the industrial parade at the fair grounds President R. P. Hayes of the fair association, introduced Locke Craig, who delivered the principal address. Mr. Craig paid a high compliment to the people of this section of the state on their excellent fair and declared that he deemed it a privilege to address such a representative body of men and women. He stated that this is a land of many advantages and he appealed to his hearers to see that the opportunities of this great land are developed. He referred to the fact that in this section of the state can be found the highest mountains east of the Mississippi river, which are owned by private individuals. The speaker advocated the purchase of these peaks by the state and expressed the belief that they should be converted into a playground. He predicted that this country is to be the great pleasure ground and health resort of the world. A century hence, the speaker declared, will see Asheville in the midst of the greatest recreation and health resort in the world Mr. Craig referred to the good roads developments which are being brought about, and he believes that it is only a matter of a few years until the wealth of all nations will be spent in the Land of the Sky by the rich people of many countries who desire to spend their time in a land where they can enjoy themselves and see the big things of nature.

### Can't Stand Still.

"This great land," the speaker declared, "is our inheritance." Western North Carolinians must take care of it, he stated; they can not afford to stand still. This must be made a greater land. Progress comes slowly, it was stated, but it is sure. The speaker referred to the fact that Sir Isaac Newton and his dog "Diamond" saw a falling apple one day. To the man the sight meant the suggestion of the law, which holds holds the worlds and solar systems in its grasp; to the dog it was a falling apple. "The man was a progressive; 'Diamond' was a standpatter," Mr. Craig remarked and the audience appreciated the joke.

The Indians didn't step forward and they lost their holdings. It is just as necessary, the speaker declared, that Americans go forward and he urged his hearers to make this an even greater land, to grow larger calves and produce more ears of corn on the stalk, make an acre more productive and multiply their cattle; however, the speaker declared, Western North Carolinians must remember the possibilities of their men and women and must not be satisfied until North Carolina and Western North Carolina manhood and womanhood are the greatest in the world.

### Professor Joyner Heard.

Prof. J. Y. Joyner, the superintendent of public instruction of North Carolina, made a good address, declaring that he was greatly pleased with the impressive sight of 5,000 school children in parade. He stated that he desires to see all children have a chance to be great. He referred to the great material resources of this section of the state, the many mountains and their hidden minerals, the excellent climate and water, but greater than all material resources, Superintendent Joyner declared, is the mind and heart of one of the children. Upon the children depends the welfare of the country and they must be given a chance to be great. The speaker paid a high compliment to Locke Craig, with whom he was in school, and remarked that he knew that North Carolina's next governor will be a great governor, as he was in school with Mr. Craig and knows him thoroughly.

Commissioner of Agriculture W. A. Graham made a short speech, referring to the great progress which North Carolina has made in agricultural lines within the past four years. The people from all the world are coming to this state, he remarked, to learn our methods of growing corn and other products. He thanked his hearers for the loyal support which they have given him during the time that he has been in the department of agriculture, and he expressed the belief that North Carolina has a great future in store. He pleaded for the co-operation between the farmer, who is a valuable stockholder in every firm that has good farming as its subject, he urged his hearers, who reside on the farm to make their home life such that their sons and daughters, after completing their course at school will not be satisfied to live anywhere except on the farm.

President Hayes invited those present to enjoy themselves while here,

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Upon the arrival of the industrial parade at the fair grounds President R. P. Hayes of the fair association, introduced Locke Craig, who delivered the principal address. Mr. Craig paid a high compliment to the people of this section of the state on their excellent fair and declared that he deemed it a privilege to address such a representative body of men and women. He stated that this is a land of many advantages and he appealed to his hearers to see that the opportunities of this great land are developed. He referred to the fact that in this section of the state can be found the highest mountains east of the Mississippi river, which are owned by private individuals. The speaker advocated the purchase of these peaks by the state and expressed the belief that they should be converted into a playground. He predicted that this country is to be the great pleasure ground and health resort of the world. A century hence, the speaker declared, will see Asheville in the midst of the greatest recreation and health resort in the world Mr. Craig referred to the good roads developments which are being brought about, and he believes that it is only a matter of a few years until the wealth of all nations will be spent in the Land of the Sky by the rich people of many countries who desire to spend their time in a land where they can enjoy themselves and see the big things of nature.

**Can't Stand Still.**

"This great land," the speaker declared, "is our inheritance." Western North Carolinians must take care of it, he stated; they can not afford to stand still. This must be made a greater land. Progress comes slowly, it was tsated, but it is sure. The speaker referred to the fact that Sir Isaac Newton and his dog "Diamond" saw a falling apple one day. To the man the sight meant the suggestion of the law, which holds holds the worlds and solar systems in its grasp; to the dog it was a falling apple. "The man was a progressive; 'Diamond' was a standpatter." Mr. Craig remarked and the audience appreciated the joke.

This land must progress and its people must go forward, or they can not hope to hold their possessions. The Indians didn't step forward and they lost their holdings. It is just as necessary, the speaker declared, that Americans go forward and he urged his hearers to make this an even greater land, to grow larger calves and produce more ears of corn on the stalk, make an acre more productive and multiply their cattle; however, the speaker declared, Western North Carolinians must remember the possibilities of their men and women and must not be satisfied until North Carolina and Western North Carolina manhood and womanhood are the greatest in the world.

**Professor Joyner Heard.**

Prof. J. Y. Joyner, the superintendent of public instruction of North Carolina, made a good address, declaring that he was greatly pleased with the impressive sight of 5,000 school children in parade. He stated that he desires to see all children have a chance to be great. He referred to the great material resources of this section of the state, the many mountains and their hidden minerals, the excellent climate and water, but greater than all material resources, Superintendent Joyner declared, is the mind and heart of one of the children. Upon the children depends the welfare of the country and they must be given a chance to be great. The speaker paid a high compliment to Locke Craig, with whom he was in school, and remarked that he knew that North Carolina's next governor will be a great governor, as he was in school with Mr. Craig and knows him thoroughly.

Commissioner of Agriculture W. A. Graham made a short speech, referring to the great progress which North Carolina has made in agricultural lines within the past four years. The people from all the world are coming to this state, he remarked, to learn our methods of growing corn and other products. He thanked his hearers for the loyal support which they have given him during the time that he has been in the department of agriculture, and he expressed the belief that North Carolina has a great future in store. He pleaded for the co-operation between the farmer, who is a valuable stockholder in every firm that has good farming as its subject, he urged his hearers, who reside on the farm to make their home life such that their sons and daughters, after completing their course at school will not be satisfied to live anywhere except on the farm.

President Hayes invited those present to enjoy themselves while here, to make themselves at home and to take advantage of all of the opportunities offered at the fair.

**Attractive Scene.**

The fair grounds present an attractive scene and were thronged by thousands of people yesterday and last night. The various exhibits are arranged in an artistic manner and much favorable comment has been heard regarding the products and the manner in which they are arranged. Various individuals are showing their wares and many firms are conducting booths for portraying the superior points of their goods. The free attractions are good and the midway has a creditable line of attractions. The grounds are well lighted and the booths and exhibits are arranged in such a manner that they are not crowded and spectators have no trouble in spending as much time as they like viewing the products that they desire to inspect closely.

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# AUTO SPEEDWAY WILL BE BUILT IN WEST ASHEVILLE

## Site of Old Race Track Will be Utilized for Modern Speedway

## POLO FIELD MAY BE INSIDE TRACK

## James M. Kelley, of New Orleans and O. B. Schoenfeldt the Promoters

A three-quarter of a mile speedway for automobiles 60 feet wide will be built immediately on the site of the old race track in West Asheville. The promoters, James M. Kelley of New Orleans and Otto B. Schoenfeldt, the present owner of the property, will start rebuilding and enlarging the track within the next thirty days, and will complete it as soon as possible. They plan in addition to have polo grounds built within the track, and other amusement features as well. An automobile line will be operated from Pack square to the park.

The old track, say the promoters, was about five-eighths of a mile in circumference. They plan to increase this size with the new track, and, if the project meets with sufficient patronage from the people of Asheville, to eventually have a one mile speedway. Surveyors will be on the grounds tomorrow and contracts will be let shortly. Mr. Kelley, who is in direct charge of the track, said yesterday that he was undecided whether to have a concrete track or a dirt speedway with especially good drainage. The latter, he thought, would be the better in wet weather and lessen the danger of skidding.

If there is no opposition from within the city, weekly bicycle and automobile races will be held. It is planned to have a club for motor owners, the members of which shall have free access to the speedway, and exciting brushes between amateur drivers will be a perpetual feature.

Several years ago Mr. Schoenfeldt, who is one of the best known physical trainers in the country, purchased the old race track property with the intention of rebuilding it. His scheme failed at that time for lack of backing. Mr. Kelley stated yesterday that he would proceed with the present project, using his own capital and not asking for anything but the patronage of the public when the place is completed.

### Site of Speedway.

The site of the new speedway is on the French Broad river and the old car line, and is about fifteen minutes walk south of the present West Asheville line.

If the track and amusement park receives paying patronage improvements will be made in many ways. The track will be enlarged to one mile. Polo grounds will be laid off and a polo club organized. Moving picture shows and similar attractions are proposed.

Mr. Kelley was formerly a professional ball player with the New Orleans team, and is well known in that city as a sporting man. Recently he sold considerable business interests in the Louisiana city and came to Asheville to invest.

Mr. Schoenfeldt is a retired wrestler and physical trainer who is known all over the country. Messrs. Schoenfaldt and Kelley were members of the same athletic clubs in New Orleans.

Asheville Citizen October 20, 1912

# J. C. OWENS FALLS IN WEST ASHEVILLE

**Said to Have Attempted to Catch a Car in Motion and to Have Been Dragged.**

J. C. Owens was taken to the Mission hospital yesterday afternoon in a very serious condition as the result of injuries which he sustained Saturday night, when he fell in West Asheville.

It is said that the injured man was making an effort to catch a street car in motion, and that, in swinging upon it, he was unable to land on the rear platform and was thrown to the earth. He is said to have been dragged a considerable distance, suffering a number of bruises, which may prove serious. He was severely crushed about the abdomen and his right lung is said to have been strained in the accident.

Immediately after the accident, Dr. G. P. Gardner was called and he dressed the wounds of the patient. Yesterday it was deemed best to remove him to the hospital.

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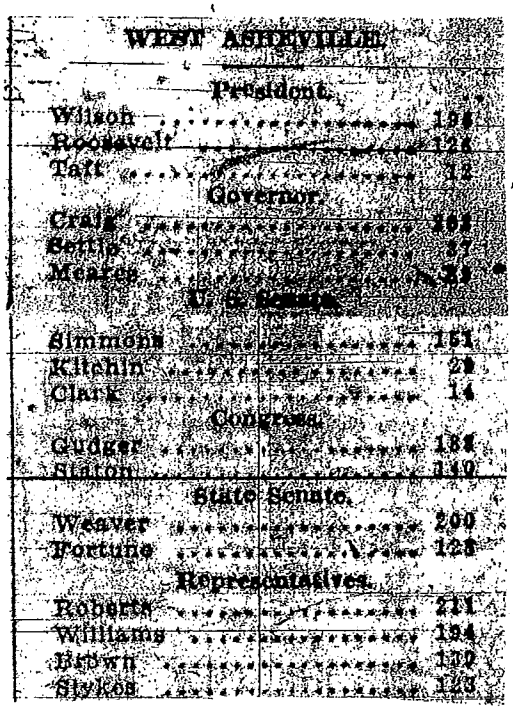

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ADJOINING THE BEAUTIFUL HOME PLACE OF MR. H. A. WELLS, EVERY SITE A PICTURE

# GALAX PARK

THE NEW SUBDIVISION TO WEST ASHEVILLE—2 MINUTES FROM ELECTRIC CAR LINE

## The Prettiest Sub-Division That Has Ever Been Offered in West Asheville

## 79- LOVELY RESIDENCE LOTS--79

AND 1 RESIDENCE OF 8 ROOMS TO BE SOLD

# AT AUCTION

SALE BEGINS, RAIN OR SHINE, AT 11 O'CLOCK

# THURSDAY, DECEMBER 12TH

It's the home place of Mr. Bailey Jones. When the electric line was completed to West Asheville we searched the place over for a good tract for a subdivision to offer the people who wanted West Asheville property. We had hundreds of them offered to us, but we failed to find just what we thought would make a pretty residence park location, and when we did make a trade for this tract

## We Cried "Eureka!"

## Every Lot Here Is A Prize Lot

and just jot it down in your memory and see if our prediction doesn't come true - here it is, every lot sold at this sale will more than double in value in six months and in twelve months you will be offered a fabulous profit on your investment.

### READ ABOUT GALAX PARK

Galax Park is two minutes walk from the car line.

Galax Park is five minutes walk from the handsome new church.

Galax Park lots will not be sold to anybody but good people.

Galax Park property already has water piped to it.

Galax Park is destined to become the best residence park in or near Asheville.

Galax Park already adjoins the homes of many of Asheville's best citizens.

No property in the town is its superior.

Realize this fact—burn it into your brain—no man, be he Merchant, Banker, Baker, Clerk or Candle-stick Maker can make the proper showing without Real Estate. Yes, the odds are against you if you don't.

### FIRST PRIZE

The person estimating nearest what the lots sold on day of sale will average will receive $15.00 in Gold.

### SECOND PRIZE

The person estimating nearest what the beautiful home will bring will receive $10.00 in Gold.

### THIRD PRIZE

The person estimating nearest what the bungalow site (can be seen on ground) will bring will receive a handsome silver set. Value $35.00.

### FOURTH PRIZE

The person estimating nearest to the total sales of lots sold on this day will receive an Elgin 20-Year Case Watch.

### FIFTH PRIZE

The first party estimating exactly what this tract will bring will receive a round-trip ticket to Washington with Pullman fare, three days hotel bill and twenty-five dollars extra expense money to the inauguration of our next President.

### CUT THIS OUT

and send it to the Southern Land Auction Co., 225-227 Legal Building, Asheville, N. C.

COUPON ESTIMATE

(Subject to Printed condions)

FIRST PRIZE

I estimate that your lots in Galax Park, West Asheville, will bring an average price of $.....

SECOND PRIZE

I estimate that the beatiful home will bring $.....

THIRD PRIZE

I estimate that the Bungalow site lot will bring $.....

FOURTH PRIZE

I estimate that your total sales for the day will be $.....

FIFTH PRIZE

I estimate entire tract will bring $.....

Sign here .....

No one allowed to make more than one guess for each prize.

## West Asheville Is On A Boom, And This Will Be The Opportunity of Your Life for An Investment

SALE BY

# Southern Land Auction Co.

225 Legal Bldg. "WE SELL LOTS AND LOTS OF LOTS" Asheville, N. C.

Asheville Citizen December 7, 1912

# MAN AND HIS WIFE SHOT BY MERCHANT OF W. ASHEVILLE

## W. H. Hughes Went to Collect a Bill and Had His Gun With Him

## VICTIMS ARE TAKEN TO MISSION HOSPITAL

## Wounded Persons Declare That They Gave No Provocation to Their Assailant

In an altercation over the payment of a grocery bill, W. H. Hughes, a merchant of West Asheville, yesterday shot and perhaps fatally wounded George Carver, of the same place, and seriously wounded Mrs. Carver, who was endeavoring to protect her husband. Hughes is locked up in the county jail and Mr. and Mrs. Carver are at the Mission hospital where both are resting as well as can be expected.

The details of the shooting are very vague. Hughes was in a state of nervous frenzy last night, following the shooting, according to Jailor Jordan, of the county jail, and could make no statement in regard to the matter. Mr. and Mrs. Carver could not talk last night, although both made short statements before being taken to the hospital.

From information obtainable, it appears that Hughes, who was formerly in the grocery business, started out yesterday to collect some bills due him, and among others was one due from Mr. Carver. Hughes, whom the officers say was in an intoxicated condition when arrested, went to the home of the Carvers to collect the bill, and when he was informed that Mr. Carver could not pay the bill yesterday, drew a pistol and began firing. Mr. Carver stated that Hughes never made a threatening move or said a harsh word until he began to shoot, and his statement is corroborated by Mrs. Carver, who says that the merchant was smiling up until the time when he began shooting.

### Fired Five Shots.

Hughes fired five shots in all. One took effect in Mrs. Carver's side, one in his arm, and one in his thigh. One bullet struck Mrs. Carver in the neck as she endeavored to protect her husband from the bullets, and one shot went wild.

Dr. Arthur F. Reeves and Dr. J. G. Anderson were summoned, and dressed the wounds of the injured couple, and they were later removed to the Mission hospital.

A call was sent in to the Sheriff's office and Deputy Sheriff C. N. Lominac and Deputy Sheriff E. M. Mitchell went to West Asheville at once to capture Hughes. When they arrived at the Carver home, they were informed that Hughes had gone to his own home, some distance away, and they went to the Hughes home after him. According to the officers, they found Hughes in a partial drunken stupor, with a quart bottle of whiskey on the table beside him. There was also a box in the room containing more whiskey.

Hughes did not offer any resistance and when asked by the officers concerning the shooting, he said there was nothing to tell except that he had shot the Carvers because they had refused to pay him a grocery bill that they owed him. He was taken to a street car and brought to the county jail, and according to the officers became so overcome with the whiskey before they got to a street car, that he had to be helped on the car.

After arriving at the jail, according to the jailor, Hughes was overcome by the whiskey and appeared to have a kind of fit, rolling on the floor and screaming. He was in no condition to talk at any time last night.

Late last night, both Mr. and Mrs. Carver were reported as resting easily and doing as well as could be expected. Dr. Reeves said there were no immediate prospects of fatal results.

Asheville Citizen December 22, 1912

MONDAY, DECEMBER 23, 1912.

# HUGHES MAKES PLEA OF SELF DEFENSE

## SAYS CARVER ADVANCED ON HIM WITH KNIFE

### No Weapon Found and Both Mr. and Mrs. Carver's Statements are at Variance With Hughes'

Despite the fact that both George Carver and his wife, who were shot by W. H. Hughes in West Asheville Saturday morning, declared that Hughes shot without saying a word, and gave no indication of even being angry before he shot Hughes at the county jail yesterday, declared that he fired the five shots in self defense. He declares that Carver was advancing on him with a knife, and that Mrs. Carver, who is the mother of a three-weeks-old baby, was also advancing on him with her hand under her apron, and that he thought she had a weapon of some kind.

Hughes was seen at the county jail yesterday, and looked drawn and haggard, with bloodshot eyes, and the general appearance of a man "on the cold grey dawn of the morning after." He admitted that he was drinking Saturday, and said that after the shooting, he went straight home, turned a quart bottle of whiskey up to his lips and drank as much as he could.

Hughes claims that Carver owed him $13.75, and that it had been owing for about a month. He said that Friday was pay day on the Southern, and that he called Carver up that night, Mrs. Carver answering and telling him that Mr. Carver was out. He says that he told her he would call the next morning, and that true to his promise, he went to the Carver home Saturday morning. Hughes said further that he and Carver had a dispute about the bill, Carver claiming that some of the items were incorrect, and that anyway, he had been forced to meet so many obligations during the past month that he could not pay the bill at present. Hughes then went to tell how Carver had finally become angry and that when it was suggested to him that he produce the memoranda he had made in regard to the bill, said he had burned it and would not pay the bill at all. Hughes says that Carver then advanced on him with a knife and that Mrs. Carver also advanced, holding her hand under her apron, and he drew his pistol and began firing.

The officers found no knife when they went to the Carver home in search of Hughes, and no one seems to know what became of any such weapon. Mrs. Carver, likewise had no weapon when she was picked up, and Mrs. Carver's mother, Mrs. Ella Freeman, who was in the room at the time of the shooting, says that after Hughes emptied his gun, he reloaded, and that she went to him and said:

"You have done enough now, and had better go away." She says he then left. Both she and the baby, who were in the room, had narrow escapes from the flying leaden pellets.

Both Mr. and Mrs. Carver were resting easily at the hospital last night, and Dr. Arthur F. Reeves, who is attending them, says that, unless complications set in, both are out of danger. Neither could be reached to make a further statement yesterday.

Asheville Citizen December 23, 1912

# ASHEVILLIANS FELT EARTHQUAKE'S SHOCK

## NO DAMAGE WAS DONE IN THIS CITY.

### Windows Rattled and Older Inhabitants Recalled Local Conditions During the Earthquake at Charleston.

Ashevillians received a shock yesterday afternoon at 1:45 o'clock. It was not the result of a sudden contact with a live wire nor was it due to anything sensational which was pulled off in police circles. A real, genuine earthquake caused the commotion, and while many residents of this city do not know that an earthquake was felt here, there are many persons who are sure that it was not the result of imaginative powers, for they felt it. Several Asheville people were disturbed as a result of the earthquake and not a few of them were fearful that "something awful" was in store for this city. At some of the residences, windows were heard to rattle and flower vases were overturned. A young man who was sitting in a chair which was tilted on two legs, as his feet got warm on a radiator was thrown to the floor, according to his statement, and one man who had climbed on the water wagon had the whiskey shaken from his glass as he was about to forget his New Year's pledge and take a drink. He has sworn off for good.

In the surrounding towns, the shock was felt perceptibly. A telephone message was received from Clyde last night to the effect that the people of that place knew that an earthquake was being experienced and several Hendersonville people were alarmed over the unusual trembling of the earth. At Waynesville, the shock was by no means a severe one, although numerous residents of that city felt it. A traveling man who reached here last night is authority for the statement that it was felt in various towns of this section of the state.

The jar which was felt here recalled to the minds of some of the older inhabitants of the city the conditions here in 1886, when the famous Charleston earthquake did damage to the extent of several thousands of dollars in the South Carolina city. The shock from that earthquake was felt here and many Ashevillians at that time thought that Gabriel was preparing to use his trumpet. Captain James P. Sawyer, who was a resident of Asheville then, stated last night that he remembered that much comment was engaged in here following the violent shock, during which articles on shelves and mantles were thrown to the floor and windows rattled for several minutes. No damage was done here at that time, Captain Sawyer stated, although practically all of the people of the city could vouch for the statement that an earthquake had been experienced.

**Asheville Citizen January 2, 1913**

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# INCORPORATION TO BE DISCUSSED TONIGHT

**West Asheville Citizens Will Hold Mass Meeting to Decide What Sort of Charter They Desire.**

At a meeting which will be held in the Odd Fellows' hall tonight the citizens of West Asheville hope to decide whether or not they wish to have their town incorporated into the city of Asheville or as a separate town. The citizens will meet and discuss the question, Representative Gallatin Roberts being invited to attend the meeting and hear the discussion in order that he may determine the wishes of West Asheville people in regard to legislation which he is expecting to secure along this line.

There has been a great deal of discussion among the men of that community as to incorporation of West Asheville and several are said to favor the alteration of the charter of Asheville so that West Asheville will be made a part of this city. If this is done the population of Asheville will be greatly increased and Asheville people will be greatly interested in this movement.

The West Asheville charter only furnishes a sanitary government, there being three men who have charge of the affairs of the community but no tax system and no method of enforcing the regulations exist at present. Whether this suburb is made a part of this city or not, the men of West Asheville desire a charter so that they can carry on the business of a city. It will be recalled that some time ago an effort on the part of certain citizens to make a deal with the sanitary department of this city whereby a water line could be laid into their community. This was not done because under the laws of the state the contract would not have been legal because no charter was held by them. It is said that an effort is sure to be made to secure some kind of incorporation for West Asheville.

**Asheville Citizen January 3, 1913**

# W. ASHEVILLE WANTS COMMISSION GOV'T

## CITIZENS DECIDE TO ASK FOR SEPARATE CHARTER

### Enthusiastic Meeting at West Asheville Schoolhouse Last Night.—Will Draft Bill Tomorrow.

A large and enthusiastic meeting of the citizens of West Asheville last night expressed, by a good majority, their desire for incorporation of their town, with commission form of government, and power to levy a property tax, not to exceed twenty-five cents on the dollar. The meeting convened at the West Asheville graded school building, for the purpose of discussing before Representative Gallatin Roberts, the subject of enactment of legislation needed for enforcing the ordinances of the city and carrying on its business. After a motion was passed favoring the incorporation of West Asheville, a committee was appointed to confer with Mr. Roberts at his office at ten o'clock tomorrow morning and draft a bill which will be passed by the next legislature.

When a good crowd had convened at 7:30 W. E. Logan was elected president and J. M. Clark was selected as secretary for the occasion. Mr. Logan asked for discussions by those present and the majority of the men in the hall spoke on the subject of incorporation, a warm discussion being held for some time. Many of those who talked took the position that West Asheville should be incorporated while some argued that the present sanitary regulations were sufficient for a town of that size. None of those present expressed the desire that West Asheville be taken into the city of Asheville as a part of this incorporation.

The sentiment of the meeting, as expressed by the speeches of the different men, was that Wst Asheville has grown to such an extent that an enlargement and improvement of the present sanitary districts is needed by the citizenship of the town. It was pointed out by H. A. Brown, one of the citizens who went into a full discussion, that it would be only a short time, at the present rate of increase in population, until a charter and incorporation would be absolutely necessary. He asked the question as to whether it would be wiser to wait until West Asheville was taken into this city or act now and secure a town charter of their own.

Natt Atkinson took the position that the results desired could be obtained through alterations in the present sanitary system, which was provided by an act of the last general assembly. A sample bill which he had drawn up, was read to the meeting, in which provisions were made for selection of town officers and securing funds to defray expenses of installing a water and sewerage system.

Representative Gallatin Roberts was called upon to address the meeting and he replied with a brief but appealing argument in favor of incorporation. Mr. Roberts said that he was present in the capacity of an official whose duty it was to carry out the expressed wishes of his constituents and he made the statement that he would bend every effort to secure any legislation which the people of West Asheville should desire. Personally, he said, he could not see the wisdom in waiting any longer in securing a charter for the city. The needs of the citizens of the section seem to demand such action immediately, according to his personal views.

There was considerable opposition to incorporation expressed at one time, on account of the belief that it would result in high city tax. W. E. Logan, who acted as chairman, stated that such would not be the case. Mr. Logan assured those present that he had made investigation as to the cost of the private water system in West Asheville, and had had made inquiries as to the cost which would be entailed by securing water lines from the city of Asheville. If anything, there would be a saving to the majority of citizens if this action is taken, he said.

On a motion by H. A. Brown, the meeting voted as favoring the securing of a charter by the city, with power to levy a property tax not exceeding twenty-five cents on the dollar, to make other regulations and to carry out their enforcement. A committee composed of Natt Atkinson, R. M. Wells, H. A. Brown, J. M. Cowan, R. P. Hayes, A. W. Kerr, and J. D. Penland was appointed to meet tomorrow morning with Representative Gallatin Roberts and draft a bill expressing the wishes of the West Asheville people. The sentiment of the meeting was in favor of commission government and this form will probably be provided for in laying out the bill which will be presented to the general assembly for enactment.

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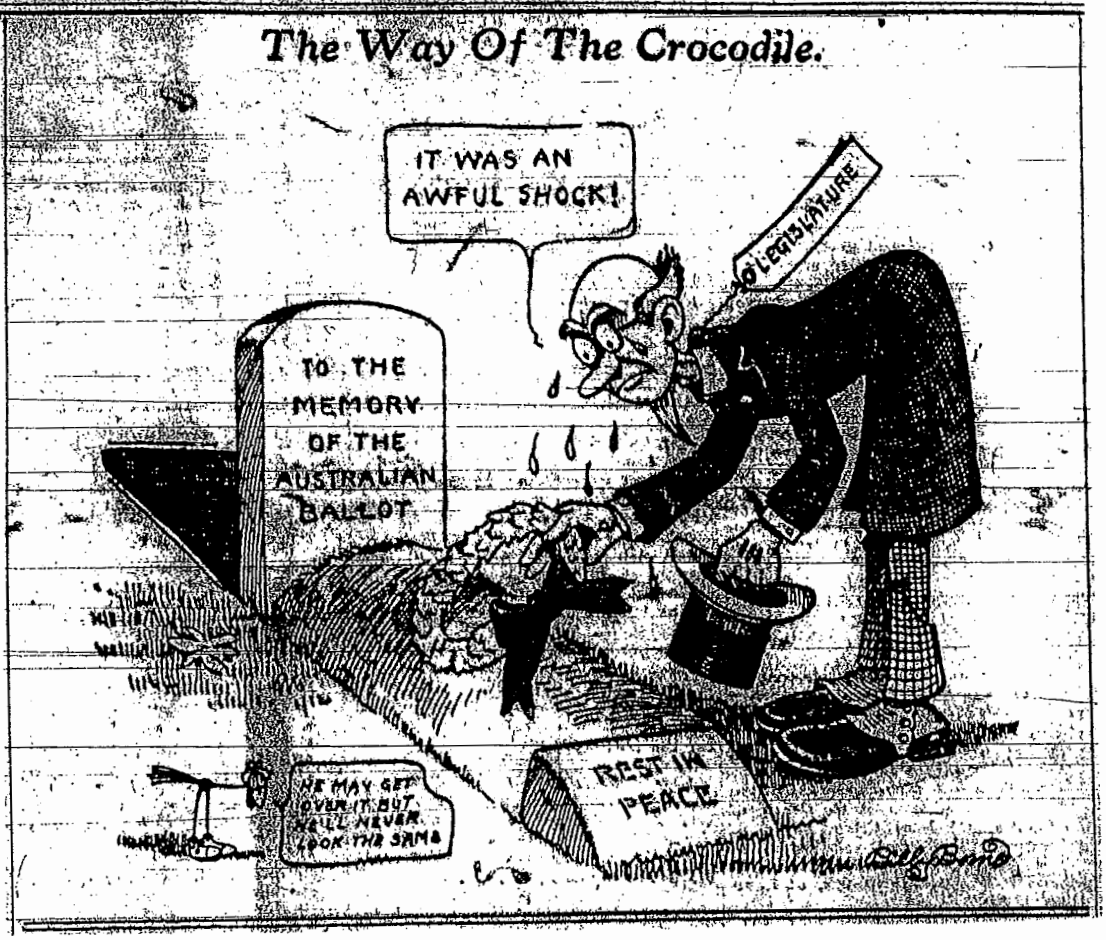
ASHEVILLE, N. C., SUNDAY MORNING, MARCH 2, 1913.

## The Way Of The Crocodile.


IT WAS AN AWFUL SHOCK!
TO THE MEMORY OF THE AUSTRALIAN BALLOT
LEGISLATURE
WE MAY GET OVER IT BUT WE'LL NEVER LOOK THE SAME
REST IN PEACE

**Asheville Citizen March 2, 1913**

THE ASHEVILLE CITIZEN,
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 2, 1913.

# LAND AT SULPHUR SPRINGS AGAIN SOLD

The lands comprising what is known as the Sulphur Springs tract, located near the Asheville school and containing about sixty acres, have been sold for the sum of $36,589.13 by Otto B. Shoenfeld and wife to Lawrence Labacher, all of the parties to this transaction being residents of New Orleans, La. The document conveying this property was filed yesterday in the office of the registrar of deeds. The lands which were sold include two tracts known as the Sulphur Springs farm and one parcel of real estate known as the Spring tract.

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THE ASHEVILLE CITIZEN

# ASHEVILLE SCHOOL IS SUED FOR DAMAGES

John Baird, administrator of James Eric Baird, has instituted suit against the Asheville school, and is seeking to recover damages from that institution in the sum of $5,000, alleging in the complaint, which was filed yesterday, that negligence on the part of the defendant resulted in the death of the deceased. It is said that two negroes, James Eric Baird and James Flowers, who were employed by the Asheville school, were drowned in a lake on the school property October 13, 1910. The complaint alleges that the defendant institution kept several boats upon the lake, and that the negroes being enticed by one of these boats, which was an "attractive nuisance," got into the vessel and rowed out upon the waters of the lake; that the boat capsized and both of the occupants were drowned.

**Asheville Citizen April 3, 1913**

# THE CREAM

—OF—

## West Asheville Residential PROPERTIES

WILL BE SOLD

—AT—

# PUBLIC Auction

—ON—

## Thursday

# April 8th

—AT—

# 11 A. M.

—RAIN OR SHINE—

This beautiful property is a part of the Reynolds tract. On the old Haywood road, only one-half block from car line. One of the best neighborhoods

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This beautiful property is a part of the Reynolds tract. On the old Haywood road, only one-half block from car line. One of the best neighborhoods in West Asheville.

Well elevated, high and dry. Perfect drainage. Magnificent views. The envy of all who pass that way.

We feel safe in saying that this property will enhance rapidly in value.

YOU CAN BUY IT AT THIS SALE AT YOUR OWN PRICE.

FREE STREET CAR SERVICE TO AND FROM SALE. LEAVE PACK SQUARE 10:30 A. M.

# SOUTHERN LAND Auction Co.

16 So. Pack. Sq.

"We Sell Lots and Lots of Lots."

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THE ASHEVILLE CITIZEN
MONDAY, APRIL 21, 1913.

# FAIR ASSOCIATION WILL MEET TONIGHT

**Directors and Officers Will Be Chosen and Preparations For Annual Exhibition Will Be Made.**

Preparations for this year's annual fair will be made at tonight's meeting of the stockholders of the Western North Carolina Fair association, which is to be held tonight at 8 o'clock at the rooms of the board of trade, in Temple court. The stockholders will select the directors, and following the meeting of the stockholders, the members of the board of directors will choose the officers for the coming year.

It is understood that R. P. Hayes who has been president of the association for the past year will ask that he be relieved of the duties of that office, at the meeting which is to be held tonight, and Secretary Guy Weaver has requested the stockholders to choose his successor. Both officers have assured the promoters of the fair that they are greatly interested in the work and will gladly cooperate in all movements looking to the success of the annual exhibition, but they feel that they will be unable to devote the time to the business of the association, which is necessary to insure the success of the fair.

It is expected that tonight's meeting will be largely attended and much interest is being shown in the annual election of officers and directors.

**Asheville Citizen April 21, 1913**

# SCHOOLS HOLD THEIR CLOSING EXERCISES

**Attendance Certificates Awarded at West Asheville School—Rev. W. A. Newell at Sand Hill.**

The West Asheville Graded school closed yesterday morning with the assemblage of all of the pupils of the school at the Odd Fellows hall at West Asheville. Prof. W. H. Hipps, the superintendent of county schools, made an interesting talk and awarded certificates of attendance to the following pupils, who have not been absent or tardy during the past term of eight months:

First A grade, Dock Cole, Frank McKenzie; first B grade, Lucius Stroup, Jesse Cole, Dixie Cole, Carl Duckett, Jessie Parris; second grade, Eston Vaughn, Claude Burnette, Lonnie Crook, Wells Teague, Myrtle Harris, Irene Yarbrough, Alva Burnette; third grade, Theodore Kesterson, William Harrison, Harold Duckett, Earl Drake, John Welch, Girdwood Blackwell, Harry Logan, Watterlee McKenzie, Harold Ingle, Ruth Jones, Ruby London, Alice Fairchild; fifth grade, Paul Pitillo, Lester Morrison, Belle Moody, Hubert Hayes, Albert Hampton, Thomas Creasman; sixth grade, Mary Brooks, Morris Hampton, Percy Carter, Astor Welch; seventh grade, Lela Davis; eighth grade, Mack Brown, Nell Reynolds, Roy Henby; tenth grade, Conley Rich, Texie Rich, Blanche Welch.

At noon yesterday Rev. W. A. Newell, the pastor of the Haywood Street Methodist church, of this city, delivered an interesting address to the members of the graduating class of the Sand Hill High school. Interesting features of the commencement exercises of this school were recitation contests, a debate, an entertainment given by the primary department and numerous recitations and songs.

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# EDISON'S TALKING PICTURES COMING

## DREAMLAND THEATER SECURES CONTRACT FOR THIS CITY.

### Wonderful Invention of the Electrical Wizard to Be Seen and Heard in Asheville.

Asheville motion picture enthusiasts will be interested to learn that Manager A. Kohn, of the Dreamland theatre, has secured the Asheville rights for the use of Edison's Kinetophone, the machine which produces the "talking pictures." For the past several days, George J. McKeon, an experienced electrical engineer, with several assistants from the Edison laboratory, at Orange, N. J., has been at work here installing the apparatus in the Dreamland and it is announced that the "talking pictures" will be shown next week. Manager Kohn has decided to discontinue the vaudeville offerings, and after this week, the house will be an exclusive picture theatre.

The Kinetophone is a remarkable invention and is being adopted by the managers of the modern theatres of the larger cities. It has proven to be a great success and it is predicted that Edison's new invention will revolutionize the motion picture business. It is said that the inventor spent over a quarter of a million dollars in perfecting the Kinetophone.

In making a Kinetophone production the actor performs exactly as he does upon the stage, moving about freely and performing as he would if he were appearing before a large audience. His words and actions are recorded simultaneously. The machine produces the change of voice, the words of the actor being low when he is at the rear of the stage and strong when he is nearer the imaginary audience. Footsteps are faithfully reproduced as are the street noises in pictures taken out of doors.

Asheville will beone of teh first cities in the south to have the "talking pictures" and only one other North Carolina theatre has signed a contract for the use of the Kinetophone, that amusement house being at Charlotte.

**Asheville Citizen May 5, 1913**

# RICHMOND HILL DRIVE AGAIN OPEN TO PUBLIC

Richmond Hill drive, which has been closed for some time, owing to repairs being made on the roadways, is again open to the public, giving Asheville residents and visitors another beautiful drive extending over six and a half miles, almost within the city limits.

In its former condition this drive was limited to carriages and no automobiles allowed, but the curves have all been widened by the building of stone walls on the outer edge, and the drive is now open and safe for automobiles.

Richmond Hill drive is in the immediate suburbs of Asheville. At no point on its six and a half miles of roadway is the pleasure-seeker more than one and a half miles from the city limits. The grades from the river to Pearson's bridge have been improved and the average grade is now not over 4 per cent.

The opening of this drive, without any restrictions on the kind of vehicles used, will add greatly to the many beautiful drives to be found around Asheville.

**Asheville Citizen May 6, 1913**

# CLOSING EXERCISES AT W. ASHEVILLE

The closing exercises at the Dallas school in West Asheville were held Monday afternoon. The following scholars had an average over 95 per cent: Stella George, Birchard Hayes, Catherine Carrier, Ava Orr, Everett Atkinson. Following scholars over 90 per cent: Annie Kate Wells, Clarence Sumner, William Mayes, Evelyn Wells, Ralph Felmet, Bynum Orr, Belle Black, Alma Carter, Louise Bryant. Recommended for second term's work: Howard Sumner, Carl Hawkins. Honors, double first: Birchard P. Hayes. First honor primary: Catherine Carrier, Ava Orr. First honor grammar department: Annie Kate Wells, Clarence Sumner.

Plans are being made for erecting a school building this summer to better accommodate this growing school, which during the past year has had scholars from Asheville and other parts of Buncombe county as well as West Asheville.

**Asheville Citizen June 4, 1913**

## Read About West Asheville's Best Sub-Division

# GALAX PARK

## And the Man Who Snubbed a Fortune

## 69--Lovely Residence Lots--69

## And a Beautiful Home Containing 9 Rooms to Go

# AT AUCTION

## Thursday, June 26, 1913

## Sale Begins Promptly at 10 A. M.

## This is Without a Shadow of a Doubt the Best Subdivision That Will Ever Be Offered in West Asheville

In 1875 or even later your grandfather, standing on the tract of land on which West Asheville is built, with the price of a thousand acres jingling in his pocket, cursed the "luck" that denied him the chance to get in on the ground floor of Asheville's real estate.

In 1885 your father could have bought all that tract between the river and Sulphur Springs for less than the price of 10 acres of this same property now.

In 1925 lots we will sell at this sale will bring a price equal to what the average salaried man makes in five years. If you dont believe it fold this away in the old family Bible and open it five years from today and see if our prediction isn't

Every man meets fortune—most of us slap him in the face a dozen times each day.

Take an old view of yourself, retrace your thoughts and memory until you're back at the outset of your career, put the same eagerness and self confidence in your thoughts and your bearings, believe that you are capable. Invest now in what your father or grandfather should have invested in years ago. It's not too late yet for you to make a legitimate fortune.

Put on your hat, walk down town and stand in front of the piece of property which you had the means to buy when it was sold at a dime on the dollar of its present worth and hereafter speculate on the future.

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Fate hasn't neglected you—Providence has no favorites.

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There's mighty little difference in the make-up of those who win and those who whine.

Since you didn't take a profit in the past, make profit out of it. West Asheville's on a boom, now's your time to buy.

# Here Is Your Chance--You've Had Chances Before

You'll probably have them again, but none so good as this one to buy high-class residence property right in the heart of West Asheville. This place was advertised by us on December 12, last, for sale. Do you remember the day—it was the coldest day during last winter and we had to postpone the sale.

## FREE

$25.00 IN GOLD

$35 LADY'S WATCH

$35.00 SILVER SET.

AND

## Dinner on the Ground

BRASS BAND AND FREE CAR TICKETS OUT TO THE SALE.

## Read About Galax Park

Galax Park is two minutes' walk from the car line.

Galax Park is five minutes' walk from the handsome new church.

Galax Park lots will not be sold to anybody but good people.

Galax Park property already has water piped to it.

Galax Park is destined to become the best residence park in West Asheville.

Galax Park already adjoins the homes of many of Asheville's best citizens.

No property in the town is its superior.

Realize this fact burn it into your brain—no man, be he merchant, banker, baker, clerk, candlestick maker, can make the proper showing, without Real Estate. Yes, the odds are against you if you don't.

THIS IS THE HOME PLACE OF MR. BAILEY JONES. THE MOST LOVELY HOME SITES IN WEST ASHEVILLE WILL BE FOUND IN

## Galax Park

## Come Out

## Terms 1-3 to 1-2 Cash, Balance in 6. 12 and 18 Months

WATCH THE WONDERFUL GROWTH OF WEST ASHEVILLE.

SALE BY

# Southern Land Auction Co.

"WE SELL LOTS AND LOTS OF LOTS."

# WHAT MAKES THE VALUE OF REAL ESTATE? POPULATION

## The Population of West Asheville Has Increased More Rapidly Than Any Section of the City

## SPECIAL CARS AND FREE CAR TICKETS GIVEN TO THE SALE

# GALAX PARK

## WEST ASHEVILLE

## WILL POSITIVELY GO AT

# AUCTION

# THURSDAY, JUNE 26th, 10 A. M.

Watch and see if every one of them don't sell at this grand Auction Sale FREE

69 Home Sites, Every One of T

BRASS BAN

Electric Co. put on double-header cars to West Asheville?

DAY, JUNE 26th, 10 A. M.

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Only One of Them a Dream

Auction Sale FREE—$25 in gold, $35 watch, $35 Silver Service Set

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# LOTS IN GALAX PARK WILL BE SOLD TODAY

Many Asheville investors are expected to attend the auction sale of lots in Galax park this morning at 10:30 o'clock, which will be conducted by the Southern Land Auction company. Announcement has been made to the effect that 69 residential lots will be disposed of and three prizes will be given free on the grounds, $25 in gold, a lady's watch and a silver set. Lunch will be served on the ground and the music will be furnished by a brass band.

Galax park is the old home place of Bailey Jones and recently has been divided into lots. The land is convenient to the car line and is considered to be valuable property.

**Asheville Citizen June 26, 1913**

# TO ESTABLISH ROAD IN WEST ASHEVILLE

Sheriff Williams yesterday notified J. A. Baker, W. D. Miller, R. P. Hayes and Ed Rumbough, all of West Asheville, that a jury will be summoned and will survey the proposed route for a new road through their property next Wednesday, July 2. At the last meeting of the board of county commissioners, a request for this road was considered and the sheriff was instructed to have a jury assess benefits and damages which will accrue to the property by reason of laying out the road. The sheriff yesterday notified the property owners, as required by law, that a jury will pass on the question next Wednesday.

**Asheville Citizen June 26, 1913**

# NEGROES WILL WORK FOR A NEW HOSPITAL

Negro citizens of Asheville are not to be denied an active part in the whirlwind campaign which is about to be inaugurated by the citizens' committee for a new and modern Mission hospital upon a site entirely different from the present location of the institution. Twenty or more members of the local colored race met at the Y. M. I. last night with Campaign Director Hoffsommer and Assistant Director Eckert, at which time the needs of the hospital and the plan of campaign for funds were fully explained. The following organization was perfected: Rev. C. B. Dusenbury, chairman; Dr. J. W. Walker, vice chairman, and N. M. Martin, secretary. They decided to have five teams of men and five teams of colored women to canvass the population of Asheville. The following captains were appointed: J. A. Wilson, Thomas Oglesby, James G. Moore, W. P. Brooks, J. W. Bowman and Ivy Happoldt, Maggie Jones, Rebekah Williams, Rosa Rhoms, Annie Floyd.

Among those present were the ministers of the various colored churches and Drs. Bryant, Walker and Torrence.

The committee in charge of the hospital campaign has decided upon the following form for hospital donations:

"For the purpose of purchasing ground and erecting new buildings for the Asheville Mission hospital, and in consideration of the subscriptions of others, I promise to pay to the treasurer of the New Mission Hospital association ..... dollars, provided bonafide subscriptions for at least $50,000 are secured by August 12, 1913, payable in four equal quarterly installments beginning September 1, 1913.

"Signed.....

"Address.....

"Make checks payable to Charles W. Brown, treasurer."

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# Tomorrow, Tuesday, August 5th, 10:30 a.m.

# AUCTION SALE

## West Asheville Residence Lots and Small Truck Farms

THIS property will be sold on very easy terms, and will be a chance of a life time to own Real Estate in the best section of Western North Carolina. Everyone will have an equal chance as it will be sold to the highest bidder.

**Free Cars Leave**
**Pack Square at**
**10 a. m.**
**Fine Music and a Good Time For All**

THIS beautiful property, only a short distance from the West Asheville Car Line, overlooking the Famous French Broad River and Vanderbilt Estate.

Don't fail to hear Penny Brothers, the World's Original Twin Auctioneers and their Concert Band.

**Remember the Date, Place and Hour**

# SOLD BY PENNY BROTHERS

**Twin Auctioneers, Greensboro, N. C.**

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# Aug. 7 948 Subscriptions $33

# For a New Mission Hospi

## WATCH IT GROW

**The New Mission Hospital Acknowledges the Following Subscriptions received through Aug. 6th of $10.00 and over and all received Aug, 7th above $5.00. Watch the**

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| Mrs. Howard M. Baker | $ 1,000.00 |
| Mgr. D. C. Waddell | 1,000.00 |
| Mrs. Tench Coxe | 1,000.00 |
| F. Brewster Chapman | 1,000.00 |
| Guy Weaver | 10.00 |
| J. M. Roberts | 15.00 |
| J. A. Sinclair | 25.00 |
| Burton & Holt | 200.00 |
| N. A. Henck | 20.00 |
| Florence A. Bishop | 75.00 |
| Citizen Co. | 100.00 |
| Gazette-News Co. | 100.00 |
| Mrs. J. E. Woodcock | 100.00 |
| W. Vance Brown | 200.00 |
| Mrs. T. Settle | 200.00 |
| Miss G. Belknap | 200.00 |
| Mrs. J. Brown | 200.00 |
| Miss E. Johnston | 250.00 |
| S. Lipinsky | 250.00 |
| Mr. and Mrs. Philip Henry | 500.00 |
| Miss Fanny Patton | 500.00 |
| Dr. H. H. Briggs | 500.00 |
| C. N. Maxwell | 10.00 |
| A. C. Goodman | 12.00 |
| Smith's Drug Store | 100.00 |
| S. M. Stevens | 25.00 |
| J. A. Perry | 25.00 |
| Paul H. Ringer | 50.00 |
| Dr. and Mrs. Jordan | 300.00 |
| D. Ledbetter | 20.00 |
| F. Webb Griffith | 25.00 |
| Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Lord | 25.00 |
| Dr. and Mrs. Jas. B. Greene | 100.00 |
| R. P. Hayes | 100.00 |
| G. Rankin | 50.00 |
| Houston Merriman | 40.00 |
| Kate Smith | 10.00 |
| Mrs. Robert Johnston | 50.00 |
| Mrs. J. A. Baker | 25.00 |
| R. W. Hammerslough | 10.00 |
| Inland Press | 50.00 |
| L. L. Alexander | 20.00 |
| Jos C. Bradford | 10.00 |
| J. C. Wilbar | 10.00 |
| A. R. Johnson & Co. | 10.00 |
| Mrs. H. J. Cartwright | 12.00 |
| Harriet Cushman Wilkie | 20.00 |
| Ralph B. Arbogast | 10.00 |
| Mrs. C. A. Raysor | 10.00 |
| L. M. McCormick | 50.00 |
| Allen C. McDonald | 10.00 |
| Training School, Mission Hospital | 44.00 |
| Ike Swartzberg | 15.00 |
| L. H. Pollock | 10.00 |
| A. H. Katz | 10.00 |
| Nichols Shoe Co. | 100.00 |
| L. Blomberg | 50.00 |
| M. L. Rock | 10.00 |
| Bennie Argantar | 10.00 |
| A. B. Bane | 10.00 |
| V. Fleishman | 10.00 |
| H. L. Finkelstein | 50.00 |
| J. M. Lopick | 10.00 |
| Harry L. Parker | 15.00 |
| Jno. H. Powell | 100.00 |
| M. R. Campbell | 25.00 |
| A. H. Malone | 10.00 |
| K. R. Millard | 25.00 |
| Ollis Green Hardware Co. | 50.00 |
| S. J. Woodcock | 100.00 |
| J. C. Pritchard | 50.00 |
| Mrs. J. C. Pritchard | 25.00 |
| Mr. and Mrs. T. S. Rollins | 25.00 |
| Julius C. Martin | 25.00 |
| M. Lipinsky | 20.00 |
| Mrs. H. A. Gudger | 15.00 |
| J. E. Bradford | 10.00 |
| Lillie B. Lance | 15.00 |
| Capt. and Mrs. J. E. Ray | 50.00 |
| A. & E. T. R. R. Co. | 100.00 |
| bell | 50.00 |
| Mr. and Mrs. Jno. A. Campbell | |
| A. Samuels | 20.00 |
| Hugh C. Brown | 25.00 |
| A. Blomberg | 25.00 |
| Altha Ira Ruby | 10.00 |
| C. R. Fogus | 25.00 |
| S. Sternberg & Co. | 150.00 |
| Fortune & Roberts | 20.00 |
| J. M. Westall | 100.00 |
| Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Honess | 25.00 |
| O. G. Shackleton | 10.00 |
| Mrs. A. D. Sproat | 10.00 |
| S. O. Bradley | 20.00 |
| Vonno L. Gudger | 10.00 |
| L. B. McBrayer | 100.00 |
| R. W. Betts | 10.00 |
| H. L. Nettles | 10.00 |
| S. J. East | 10.00 |
| Sam J. Phillpson | 25.00 |
| A. W. Calloway | 25.00 |
| M. A. Kelly | 50.00 |
| L. A. Merrimon | 75.00 |
| Yates & McGuire | 100.00 |
| Wm. W. West | 10.00 |
| H. Rodwood & Co. | 50.00 |
| J. H. Law | 50.00 |
| W. H. Westall | 50.00 |
| E. W. Grove | 1,000.00 |
| Wm. J. East | 15.00 |
| J. M. Childs | 10.00 |
| Sam Stern | 10.00 |
| Mr. and Mrs. F. R. Hewitt | 250.00 |
| M. L. Stevens | 10.00 |
| A. E. Rankin | 20.00 |
| J. H. Manley | 10.00 |
| Miss Jane Oakley | 25.00 |
| E. W. Grove, Jr. | 50.00 |
| S. A. Lynch | 100.00 |
| H. D. Child | 100.00 |
| W. A. Newell | 10.00 |
| M. E. Child | 25.00 |
| Mrs. James Little | 25.00 |
| F. Zimmerman & Son | 10.00 |
| S. Finestein | 10.00 |
| Winston Walden | 20.00 |
| Frank S. Foster | 25.00 |
| S. L. Blomberg | 20.00 |
| W. G. Howerton | 10.00 |
| R. E. Mumpower | 15.00 |
| H. A. Dunham | 50.00 |
| J. M. Parker | 20.00 |
| Dr. A. T. Pritchard | 25.00 |
| Wm. J. East | 10.00 |
| R. U. Garrett | 25.00 |
| Mrs. Jessie V. Low | 10.00 |
| Peoples Steam and Dye Works | 10.00 |
| T. Hardegg | 10.00 |
| W. R. Nixon | 10.00 |
| Dr. Alice Johnston | 10.00 |
| Annie Thompson | 10.00 |
| Miss Euphia Owen | 12.00 |
| Mrs. Ella W. Nash | 50.00 |
| S. F. Chapman | 50.00 |
| R. W. Patton | 12.00 |
| Donald W. Randolph | 10.00 |
| F. E. Johnston | 25.00 |
| Chas. G. Lee | 25.00 |
| Ed. R. Bowen's Bible Class | 30.00 |
| W. T. Weaver | 100.00 |
| Harmon A. Miller | 100.00 |
| D. S. Elias | 10.00 |
| Ed. W. Whiteside | 10.00 |
| Louise S. Williamson | 10.00 |
| W. B. Williamson | 25.00 |
| C. M. Chedester | 10.00 |
| G. Alexander | 10.00 |
| L. L. Whitehead | 10.00 |
| R. R. Williams | 20.00 |
| Asheville Fish Co. | 15.00 |
| Brown Undertaking Co. | 15.00 |
| Mr. and Mrs. M. D. Long | 15.00 |
| David H. Fater | 10.00 |
| P. E. Hare | 10.00 |
| Lorenzo C. Ray | 20.00 |
| Allison Drug Store | 24.65 |
| Mrs. Daisy Coxe Wright | 500.00 |
| Dr. Silvio Von Ruck | 100.00 |
| C. M. Miller | 10.00 |
| Miss Mary Stewart | 15.00 |
| Miss Lea V. Stevens | 10.00 |
| H. Y. King | 10.00 |
| J. A. Porter | 10.00 |
| T. S. Morrison | 100.00 |
| Miss Florence Stephens | 10.00 |
| Gaston Mears | 100.00 |
| Chas. A. Webb | 100.00 |
| Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Clayton | 10.00 |
| Elbert C. Chambers | 10.00 |
| Miss Q. M. Carson | 10.00 |
| Zeb F. Curtis | 50.00 |
| Hills Market | 50.00 |
| A. K. Orr | 25.00 |
| Dr. D. E. Sevier | 25.00 |
| Mrs. J. G. Merriman | 20.00 |
| Miss Helen Murphy | 10.00 |
| Mgr. Isabella Rose Field | 10.00 |
| Felmet Bros. | 25.00 |
| G. W. Donnan | 10.00 |
| Miss R. L. Cocke | 10.00 |
| Mr. and Mrs. R. R. Reynolds | 25.00 |
| Dr. and Mrs. C. L. Minor | 500.00 |
| Cash from RoseCraggon | 32.00 |
| Baseball Game | 59.50 |
| S. T. Logan | 20.00 |
| J. J. Mackey | 10.00 |
| E. Reid Russell | 10.00 |
| J. E. Fulgum | 20.00 |
| T. M. Washburn | 25.00 |
| Estell Webb | 12.00 |
| Calvin R. Waller | 10.00 |
| G. H. Wright | 25.00 |
| V. F. Hawkins | 10.00 |
| H. K. Northrup | 10.00 |
| Harry Howell | 25.00 |
| W. H. Zimmerman | 15.00 |
| Asheville Dry Goods Co. | 25.00 |
| David Jacobson | 10.00 |
| F. T. Hunt | 10.00 |
| Franklin Else | 10.00 |
| F. Stikeleather | 25.00 |
| Francis M. Wright | 50.00 |
| Asheville Cotton Mills | 100.00 |
| H. B. Zagler | 50.00 |
| Miss Nannie Alexander | 10.00 |
| A. C. Payne | 15.00 |
| C. E. Graham, Greenville | 100.00 |
| W. E. Logan | 100.00 |
| Alice Dougherty | 10.00 |
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| Miss Mattie Harris | 10.00 |
| J. E. Carpenter | 10.00 |
| Mrs. Deschler | |
| Weaver V. Wilson | |
| Mrs. A. B. Lewis | |
| H. M. Nolan | |
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| J. L. Welch | |
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| J. W. Glaser | |
| J. W. Wolfe | |
| Dr. and Mrs. Hunt | |
| R. E. Bowles | |
| Marion E. Ely | |
| Asheville Tannery | |
| L. L. Merchant | |
| W. H. Bird | |
| T. P. Johnston & Co. | |
| Brown Book Co. | |
| Noland Brown Co. | |
| An Earnest Citizen | |
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THE ASHEVILLE GAZETTE-NEWS

# HOSPITAL'S FUND NOW AT $34,500

## Realized That $100,000 Cannot Be Secured before Campaign Ends.

Practically $34,500 has now been subscribed to the fund for the erection of a New Mission hospital, the workers today reporting $1455.75 raised since yesterday in 168 subscriptions. Fewer workers were present at the luncheon today than at any previous one during the campaign, and from the reports submitted it is now certain that the $100,000 cannot be raised before the end of the campaign on Monday night. However, it is believed that the present sum will be materially increased, and tomorrow the campaign will be thrown open so that the workers may solicit subscriptions without restrictions as to assignment cards.

After calling for and receiving the reports today, J. A. Nichols of the campaign committee stated that it is evident now that the amount of money asked for cannot be raised, but he expressed the belief that what is raised will be wisely used in the construction and equipment of a new and modern hospital. He said that with the funds available at the end of the present campaign a building may be constructed so that additions may be made later, and that $100,000 may become a realization within the next few years.

Mr. Nichols attributed the partial failure of the present campaign to the fact that it was arranged for a bad time of the year, this being the very busiest season possible to be found. For this reason the business men have not had time to give as much of their time to the work as they might otherwise have done. He paid a high tribute, however, to the ladies of the city for their untiring efforts in working for the cause.

The team of J. A. Perry today reported the largest amount, this being $190, from six subscriptions. The company of Miss Ellen Barker followed a close second with $186 secured from 10 subscriptions. The colored teams reported $179 raised from 38 subscriptions since yesterday.

It was announced today that C. W. Harmon, the wholesale and retail honey dealer in the Langren hotel building, will give 10 per cent of his gross receipts tomorrow for the fund; and C. A. Walker, the Haywood street druggist, will give 50 per cent of his receipts from the soda fountain tomorrow, Sunday and Monday.

In the last publication of the list of subscribers to the fund the following two subscriptions were named: Dr. Lawrence, $5; and Thomas L. Lawrence, $50. This should read: Dr. Catherine Lawrence, $5; and Dr. Thomas L. Lawrence, $50. This correction is made at the request of the management of the campaign.

Attention was called today to the concert of Miss Tulin at the Auditorium next Tuesday night for the benefit of the fund; and announcement was made that Dr. George T. Winston will lecture, date and subject not yet decided upon, for the fund's benefit, this lecture to be free but a silver offering to be asked from those who attend.

The campaign will close finally on Monday night.

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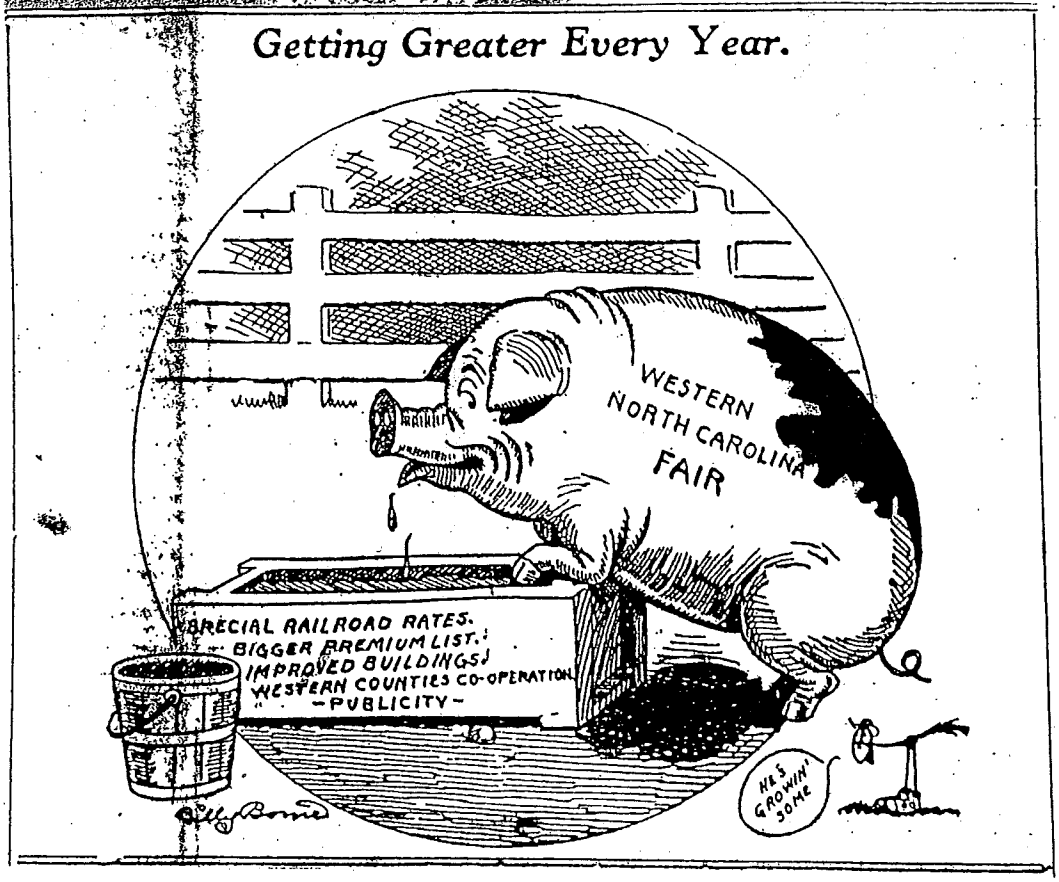
ASHEVILLE, N. C., FRIDAY MORNING, AUGUST 8, 1913.




**Asheville Citizen August 8, 1913**

# ROBBERS ENTER THE STORE OF H. J. OLIVE

## SAFE IS ROBBED OF MONEY AND PAPERS.

### Entrance to Store Room is Gained Through the Front Door of the Building.

After prying open the front door of the store of H. J. Olive in West Asheville with implements which were stolen from a blacksmith shop near the building, one or more robbers early yesterday morning blew open the safe and took $100 in money and several very valuable papers. No idea is entertained as to the identity of the man or men who robbed the store, although members of the sheriff's department were notified of the robbery yesterday morning and deputies are now working for a clue. The bloodhounds of Patrolman H. T. Dillingham were sent to the store yesterday morning at an early hour, although they did not follow the trail.

The safe-crackers used nitro-glycerine in opening the safe and so great was the force of the explosion that windows in the store room were shattered, a stove in the middle of the building was overturned and an ice-chest was jarred to such an extent that perishable goods which had been stored in it were thrown to all parts of the room. However, the explosion was not heard by people who reside near the place of business and the robbers evidently experienced little trouble in making their escape.

It was stated at the store yesterday that several days ago a visitor, traveling under the guise of a salesman for a firm which manufactures safes, called at the store and asked that he be allowed to examine the strong box. His request was granted and while making [illegible] was thought of the matter at the time it has been suggested that this man had something to do with the robbery.

The store room presented a scene of disorder yesterday morning when it was opened. Various articles of merchandise had been strewn from the shelves and goods of every description were scattered throughout the building. The robbery was discovered by A. R. Davis, the general manager of the store, who reported the safe-cracking to the sheriff yesterday morning. Mr. Davis is the general manager of the store and several of the papers which were stolen were his personal property, one of them being a life insurance policy.

**Asheville Citizen August 16, 1913**

# ATHLETIC PROGRAM IS ARRANGED FOR FAIR

## VALUABLE PRIZES DONATED BY ASHEVILLE MERCHANTS.

### Events Will Be Pulled Off on Western North Carolina Day at the Coming Third Annual Fair.

The program of athletic events on Western North Carolina day at the coming fair, which is Friday, October 10, has been completed by the officers of the association, and was made public for the first time yesterday. A novel program of events has been arranged for, which valuable prizes are to be given.

The athletic events will be open to contestants throughout the twenty-two counties composing Western North Carolina fair zone. The hours of the program will be from 10 a. m. to 1 p. m., and the directors will be Ed B. Brown, secretary of the Y. M. C. A., John M. Roberts, C. E. Blackstock, T. M. Greenlee and Harry M. Dill.

Prizes will be awarded for superiority in each of the following events, the order to be announced later:

No. 1—100 yard dash; umbrella, given by Pallas Royal company.

No. 2—Running high jump; half dozen interwoven silk half hose, given by M. V. Moore & Co.

No. 3—220 yard dash; hat, given by R. B. Zagier.

No. 4—Eighty rods of 220 yard dash by contestants weighing not less than 250 pounds, no age limit; razor, given by Brown Hardware Co.

No. 5—Running broad jump; rattan suit case, given by Boston Shoe Store.

No. 6—440 yard dash; fountain pen, given by Brown Book Co.

No. 7—Pole vault; razor, given by Brown, Northup & Co.

No. 8—Three-legged race; half dozen silk ties, given by John A. Guffy; set gold cuff buttons, given by H. Redwood Co.; half dozen collars, given by Neely-Bruns Co.

No. 9—880 yard dash; steel fly rod, given by L. Blomberg's cigar store.

No. 10—Shot put; fountain pen, given by H. Taylor Rogers.

No. 11—Shoe race; pair shoes given by R. E. Mumpower's store.

For highest average score in greatest number of events, a pair of shoes will be given by the Nichols Shoe Co.

In order to avoid confusion and unnecessary delay on the athletic field, prospective contestants are required to make their entries with the secretary of the Western North Carolina Fair association on or before October 4th.

Asheville Citizen September 5, 1913

# BALLOON ASCENSIONS AND AUTO FEATURES

## Two Important Modes of Entertainment at the Coming Fair Are Arranged for by the Association.

The Western North Carolina Fair association yesterday closed a contract with the Wright brothers of Philadelphia to give four balloon ascensions and parachute leaps during the coming third annual fair. One or more ascensions and leaps will be given every day during the show, the fair association reserving the right to extend the contract with the air-men.

Plans for the big automobile event which is to take place on Western North Carolina day, the last of the fair, have almost been completed. There are to be three divisions or classes, the antique, and the decorated cars and the obstacle auto races.

S. P. Burton will be incharge of the decorated cars, Dr. E. P. Gruner in the antique class, and F. A. Mears will have charge of the obstacle races.

The following announcement, or program, has been made by the fair association:

Decorated Cars: Best decorated automobile, first price $20 in gold and pennant; second prize, $10 in gold; third prize, $5 in gold. If preferred, cups of corresponding value will be awarded.

A "W. N. C. Fair" pennant will be given the automobile dealer having in parade the largest number of cars, decorated or undecorated, made by firms represented by him.

Antique Class: Oldest self-propelled car, silver cup.

Most dilapidated self-propelled car, pennant.

Obstacle Races: First prize, silver cup; second prize, copper cup.

Booby prize, toy automobile to be awarded to contestant who unintentionally knocks down greater number of obstacles.

**Asheville Citizen September 6, 1913**

# WATER COMPANY IS DEFENDANT TO SUIT

## ACTION BROUGHT AGAINST WEST ASHEVILLE CORPORATION.

### J. G. Merrimon Declares in Bill Against Buckeye Company and Hayes That He Is Without Water.

In Buncombe county yesterday J. G. Merrimon, through counsel, filed proceedings seeking to compel the Buckeye Water company and H. P. Hayes, said to be its chief officer, to fulfill the contract whereby they are furnishing him water at his residence on Haywood road in West Asheville.

The official complaint, which covers a number of typewritten pages, sets forth that the plaintiff entered into an agreement with the water company to furnish water at his home at 25 cents per 1,000 gallons, and that since June 20, 1913, the company, of which the defendant, Hayes, is one of the chief stockholders, has failed, refused and neglected to carry out its contract, forcing the plaintiff to procure his source of water supply from neighborhood wells.

The plaintiff sets forth further in his bill that he made demands upon Mr. Hayes to comply with the terms of the contract; that the water cannot be supplied "because the said defendant, Hayes, will not lay and construct proper and adequate water mains in order to be able to do the same."

Mr. Merrimon, in his bill, asks for a writ of mandamus to compel the defendant company to supply to his house the water that is necessary under the terms of the contract. It is set forth further, in the bill, that on July 30, 1913, the plaintiff and thirty-seven other patrons of the defendant company filed a formal complaint with the state corporation commission and that the plaintiff, Mr. Merrimon, personally went to Raleigh to present the complaint. It is also sets forth that the state corporation commission has utterly failed to attend to the matter and give the necessary relief, or to take any action in the premises.

Mr. Merrimon declares in his suit that he has applied to the board of commissioners of Buncombe county and to the town Asheville sanitary board without reward. On August 25 he says that he applied to the attorney general of North Carolina and asked him to compel the water company to perform its public duties, but that the plaintiff to the suit has been unable to obtain any action from such source.

It is set forth that the company has no funds to carry out its contract and that the plaintiff pointed out to the company which is claiming the plaintiff has agreed, he was willing to contribute [illegible] that only [illegible] week before the suit was brought he was able to get water at the [illegible] and that on [illegible] morning [illegible] from the plaintiff.

Asheville Citizen September 14, 1913

# AUTOMOBILE RACES BIG FAIR FEATURE

**Committee in Charge Will Hold Meeting With Chairman Burton Monday Afternoon—Valuable Prizes Offered.**

The automobile committee of the coming fair has been called to meet Monday evening at 6 o'clock in the office of Chairman S. P. Burton, for the purpose of considering several matters of importance with reference to the auto show and races. All of the members of the committee are urged to attend the meeting Monday.

to be awarded by the Western North Carolina Fair association to the winners of the several automobile events which have been arranged.

Decorated Cars: Best decorated automobile, first prize $20 in gold and pennant; second prize, $10 in gold; third prize $5 in gold. If preferred, cups of corresponding value will be awarded.

A "W. N. C. Fair" pennant will be given the automobile dealer having in parade the largest number of cars, decorated or undecorated, made by any one firm represented by him. The machines will not necessarily have to be property of the dealer.

Antique Class: Oldest self-propelled car, silver cup.

Most dilapidated antique self-propelled car, pennant.

First prize, silver cup.

Second prize, copper cup.

Booby prize, toy automobile to be awarded to contestant who unintentionally knocks down greatest number of pumkins.

**Asheville Citizen September 21, 1913**

## Big New Entertaining Features

OF FUN, ENTERTAINMENT AND INSTRUCTION OF WHOLESOME CHARACTER, SATISFYING THE MOST EXACTING CRITICS AND INTERESTING EVERYBODY, WILL BE FOUND AT THE

# WESTERN NORTH CAROLINA FAIR, ASHEVILLE, OCTOBER 7th, 8th, 9th and 10th

TUESDAY—Educational Day.
WEDNESDAY—Brotherhood Day.
THURSDAY—Military Day.
FRIDAY—Western North Carolina Day.

Addresses will be delivered on these days by the following distinguished men: Hon. James J. Britt, Secretary of State William Jennings Bryan, Hon. John S. Rutledge, General Bennett H. Young, Gov. Locke Craig, Hon. M. V. Richards.

Entry books will be open at Fair headquarters in the Board of Trade rooms until Friday night, Oct. 3. From that date they will be open at the Fair grounds until 10 o'clock Tuesday morning.

## The Numerous Attractions Already Booked with More Being Added Daily, Include the Following:

Prof. McCall's Dog & Monkey circus, Georgia Minstrels, Happy Hooligan and Gloomy Gus with auto trick house, Martin & Gennett's comedy acrobatic acts, McLinn Trio comedy balancing acts, marvelous Melville's thrilling aerial acts, Sutton Brothers' sensational acts on comedy bars, McLinn's Musical Comedy and Novelty Company's comedy acrobatic acts, musical comedy, singing, dummy comedians and pretty girls in high dancing, Metcalf's animal and reptile shows. Daily balloon ascensions, Motordrome, Ferris Wheel, merry go-round, high diving dog, music by Boy Scout Band, Bryson Military Band, First Regiment Band, gorgeous display of fire works every night, something doing every minute.

**Special Trains Leave Bryson City at 7 O'clock Each Morning of the Last 3 Days of the Fair, Returning at Night. Excursion Rates. Admission 25c**


**Asheville Citizen October 3, 1913**

Much interest is being shown in the appearance of Miss Helen Keller tonight and the advance sale of tickets indicates that this famous woman will be heard by a large audience at the Auditorium this evening. It is announced that she will lecture at 8:30 o'clock. Miss Keller will arrive in Asheville this afternoon from Chattanooga, where she spoke to a large audience last night. From Asheville she will go to Winston-Salem to deliver a lecture in that city.

It is stated that those persons who hold "exchange tickets" will exchange them at the box office for reserved seats. The tickets can be exchanged at Allison's drug store until 5 o'clock this afternoon. These tickets were sold for the benefit of Charity.

At the cities at which she has lectured, Miss Keller has been greeted by large audiences and the announcement that she is to appear here has been received with a great deal of interest by the admirers of the remarkable woman.

Asheville Citizen October 4, 1913

**Asheville Citizen October 6, 1913**

AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE TOWN OF WEST ASHEVILLE IN THE COUNTY OF BUNCOMBE.

*The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:*

SECTION 1. The town of West Asheville, in the county of Buncombe, in the State of North Carolina, be and the same is hereby incorporated in the name and style of the "Town of West Asheville," and shall be subject to all the provisions of the law now existing in reference to incorporated towns under chapter seventy-three of the Revisal of North Carolina of nineteen hundred and five. Town incorporated. Corporate name. General law applicable.

SEC. 2. That the corporate limits and boundaries of said town shall be as follows, to wit: Beginning at the junction of Swanna- Corporate limits.

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Town officers.

SEC. 3. That the officers of the said town shall consist of a mayor, who shall be a resident and qualified voter of said town; five aldermen, who shall be residents and qualified voters of said town, and a marshal, who also shall be a resident and qualified voter of said town. The latter to be appointed by the said mayor and said board of aldermen.

Appointment of marshal.

Town elections.

SEC. 4. That there shall be an election held for the officers mentioned in this act on the first Tuesday after the third Monday in November, nineteen hundred and thirteen, and each succeeding two years thereafter, under the same provisions and regulations that town elections (under the Revisal of one thousand nine hundred and five) are held, and all citizens within said corporation who shall have resided two years within the State and four months within the corporation of said town previous to the day of election shall be entitled to vote at said election. For the purpose of holding the first election for such officers above mentioned herein, the chairman of the county board of elections shall appoint a registrar for said town and two judges of election, and the registration of voters and said election shall otherwise be conducted as provided in chapter seventy-three of the Revisal of nineteen hundred and five.

Law governing elections.

Voters.

Election officers.

Legislative powers.

SEC. 5. That the said mayor and board of aldermen shall have power to make all necessary regulations for the good government of the said town not inconsistent with the laws of the State and the United States, and levy and collect a tax on all subjects of State taxation not to exceed seventy-five cents on each one hundred dollars worth of property, and to impose fines, forfeitures, and penalties for the violation of town ordinances, and collect same

Taxing power.

Limit of tax rates.

Fines, forfeitures, and penalties.

Assessments for sidewalks and streets.

SEC. 6. That the mayor and board of aldermen shall have power from time to time to levy uniform assessments, either in proportion to frontage or value, on all lots located in said town and bounded by main or important streets, on the owners of said lots



or tracts of land for the purpose of paving and making good sidewalks or macadamizing streets. The mayor and board of aldermen may, in lieu of such assessment, allow the owners of said lots or tracts of land to build pavements or macadamize streets adjacent to their respective lots under the supervision of the officers of the said town, or, in lieu of the foregoing, the board of aldermen shall have the power to require the owner or owners of said lots or tracts of land bordering on said streets to construct and keep in repair the sidewalks in front, as may be prescribed by said board of aldermen, and in case of failure of said lot owners so to do after thirty days notice in writing, then the said board of aldermen shall have the authority to do it at the expense of the said lot owner or owners, which shall be a lien or charge on said lot or lots.

Work done by landowners.

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Cost a lien on lot

SEC. 7. That the board of aldermen of the said town of West Asheville shall have the power at any and all times, whenever by them deemed necessary, to lay out and open new streets and sidewalks, or to widen, enlarge, change, extend, or discontinue any street, streets, sidewalk or sidewalks, or any part thereof, within the limits of the said town, and to have power and authority to condemn, appropriate, or use any land or lands necessary for the purpose, upon making a reasonable compensation to the owner or owners of any land or lands sought to be condemned or appropriated for the public use under the provisions of this act. And in case the said town authorities cannot agree as to a reasonable price or compensation for said land or lands, then in that case it shall be the duty of the mayor and board of aldermen, and they are hereby authorized and empowered to proceed to condemn the said land or lands as follows: They shall appoint a jury of three freeholders, residents of said town, and not related or connected with either the town government or the owner or owners of any of the said lands sought to be condemned, which jury shall go upon and view the premises, and assess the benefits and damages, if any, which such property owner or owners shall sustain by reason of the appropriation of such lands for the said improvements; the said jury, before entering upon their duties, shall take an oath that they will fairly and impartially and faithfully discharge the duty of appraiser; the said jury shall file a written report with the board of aldermen, which said report shall show their findings and the amount of damages, if any, awarded to the said property owner or owners; in case the said jury cannot agree as to the amount of damages sustained by any property owner, then it shall be the duty of the mayor and board of aldermen to appoint another jury until an agreement shall have been reached; it shall be the duty of the mayor and the board of aldermen to cause at least five days notice to be served upon the owner or owners of any such lands sought to be condemned, which notice shall show

Powers of aldermen as to streets.

Power to condemn land.

Procedure for condemnation.

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the time and place at which the said jury will assemble, and also a brief recital of the purposes for which the proceeding is brought, and a brief description of the lands sought to be appropriated; either the said town or the property owner or owners may appeal from the findings of the jury; such appeal shall be made to the Superior Court of Buncombe County, where the matter shall be determined by the court and a jury; the procedure relating to such appeals shall be the same as provided by law for appeals from judgments of justices of the peace. In arriving at the damages which any of the said property owners may sustain by reason of the improvements herein provided for, it shall be the duty of the said jury to take into consideration the amount of benefits that will accrue to the said property by reason of the improvements aforesaid: *Provided further*, that in the event that any of the said property owners shall be nonresidents of the State, then it shall be lawful to serve notice upon his or her agent, if any, and if not, then notice may be served by publication, and in the same manner as is provided by law for serving process in civil actions by publication, except that such publication can be ordered by the mayor and board of aldermen.

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SEC. 8. That the mayor and board of aldermen shall have the power and authority to levy and collect a license or special privilege tax upon trades, professions, franchises, and other businesses of any character as the county of Buncombe or the city of Asheville are allowed to impose, levy, and collect; such taxes or special privilege license shall be levied at the time other taxes for the said town are levied. The mayor and the board of aldermen of the said town of West Asheville are also authorized and empowered to levy and collect, in addition to the other taxes which they are allowed to levy and collect, a poll tax upon any male inhabitant of the town of West Asheville between the ages of twenty-one and fifty years, not to exceed the sum of four dollars upon each poll.

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SEC. 9. That the mayor and board of aldermen shall have power and authority to make such rules and regulations looking to the public safety of the said town as they shall deem advisable, and shall have the power to regulate the construction of buildings within the said town, and to require the owner or owners to obtain building permits therefor.

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SEC. 10. The mayor and board of aldermen shall have the right to pass such ordinances and police regulations for the purpose of governing said town as to them may seem advisable; they shall also have power and authority to make such rules and regulations for the protection of the public health and the proper sanitary conditions of said town as they may deem advisable; they shall have also the right to quarantine against contagious diseases, make such rules and regulations relating to the same as they may

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Board of health.

SEC. 11. The said town of West Asheville is hereby authorized and empowered to build, construct, operate, regulate, and maintain a system of sewerage and waterworks, to lay the necessary water and sewer pipes with all the necessary adjuncts thereto, whether within or without the corporate limits, and shall have the power to purchase, acquire, or condemn the necessary lands for the purpose of a watershed, reservoir, intake, and other necessary adjuncts in connection with its said water and sewer systems, whether such lands be situated either within or without the limits of the town of West Asheville; it shall have the right to make all necessary regulations relating to the management and control of the said water and sewer systems as it may deem advisable, and shall have the right to charge for the use of water, and to require all inhabitants to connect with said sewer and water system; to make such rules relating to house drainage, plumbing, and sewer connections as it deems necessary. In case the owner or owners of any land sought to be acquired by the said town for the purpose of watersheds, reservoir intake, or other necessary adjuncts to said water and sewer system, or for right of way for the laying of pipes, or other purposes in connection therewith, and the town cannot agree as to a reasonable price for such lands, then in that case the mayor and board of aldermen are authorized and empowered to enter upon said lands and commence said improvements and to proceed to condemn the said lands; the said lands shall be condemned and appropriated under the same procedure as is prescribed by section two of this act relating to the appropriation of land for street and sidewalk purposes: *Provided, however*, that any lands sought to be condemned or appropriated situated without the limits of the said town, a jury of six shall be appointed instead of a jury of three, as is provided by section two of this act; three of said jurors shall be freeholders of the town of West Asheville, and three shall be freeholders of the county of Buncombe, North Carolina, but without the limits of the said town; otherwise the procedure relating to the condemnation of lands shall be the same as is prescribed by section two of this act: *Provided*, that appeals taken from the finding of the jury in any condemnation proceeding under this act shall not have the effect to stay the operations and improvements contemplated herein, and the said town may proceed to prosecute the said improvements and may enter upon the lands for that purpose, regardless of said appeals, upon depositing with the clerk of the Superior Court of Buncombe County the amount of damages found by the said jury.

Sewerage and waterworks.

Lands for watershed.

Management and control of systems.

Water rents.

Compulsory connections.

Procedure for condemnation of land.

Proviso: number of jurors.

Proviso: appeals not to delay work.

SEC. 12. That in order to raise funds sufficient to establish said water and sewer systems and to acquire the necessary lands for

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a watershed, the said town of West Asheville is hereby authorized and empowered to issue bonds in such sum or sums as they may deem necessary; said bonds to draw interest not to exceed six per cent per annum, and to be payable in thirty years after date, interest to be paid semiannually, and to be in such denominations as the mayor and the board of aldermen may determine: *Provided, however*, that none of said bonds shall be issued until authorized by a vote of the qualified voters of the said town at an election to be called by the board of aldermen; the said board may call a special election for determining the question of issuing of said bonds at any time they may deem proper, or the question of issuing said bonds may be submitted to the voters at the next general election to be held for said town. They shall give thirty days notice of such election at four conspicuous places in said town.

Interest.
Maturity.
Denominations.
Proviso: bond issue must be authorized by voters.
Special elections.
Notice of election.

SEC. 13. That the said town is hereby authorized and empowered to levy and collect annually a special tax of sufficient rate to pay the interest on said bonds as it becomes due, and the principal thereof at maturity.

Special tax.

SEC. 14. That in addition to the powers hereby granted, the mayor and the board of aldermen shall have all the rights and powers provided for in chapter seventy-three of the Revisal of nineteen hundred and five, and all such other powers as is conferred upon municipal corporations under the general laws of this State.

Rights and powers under general laws.

SEC. 15. That all laws in conflict with this act be and the same are hereby repealed.

SEC. 16. That this act shall be in force from and after its ratification.

Ratified this the 11th day of October, A. D. 1913.

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THE ASHEVILLE GAZETTE-NEWS.

# HOMES ROBBED IN WEST ASHEVILLE

## Houses of John Weaver, A. B. Bishop and Geo. Knuckles Entered Last Night.

## MONEY, VALUABLES TAKEN FROM EACH

### Same Methods of Entrance Used in Each Case—Officers Have No Clue.

Between the hours of 2 and 5 o'clock this morning, the homes of John Weaver, A. B. Bishop and George Nuckles, in West Asheville, were entered and robbed by unknown parties, and money and valuables were taken from each. Deputy Sheriff E. M. Mitchell went to the scene of the robberies at 6 o'clock with the bloodhounds. He was unable to find any clues, nor were the dogs able to get the trail, as the ground was very hard and dry and the officer thinks that the robbers used something to throw the dogs off, presumably pepper.

The home of Mr. Weaver was entered about 2 o'clock. The robbers prized open a rear window, and secured about $20; and from there they evidently went to the home of Mr. Bishop, where they effected an entrance through the kitchen window. They robbed Mr. Bishop of $17, the money being in his trousers and lying on the trunk near his bed. His trousers were found this morning on a rocking chair, on the front porch and the front door was standing open.

The last house entered was that of Mr. Nuckles—he thinks about 5 o'clock. The robbers took an axe belonging to a neighbor and forced an entrance through the dining room window, afterwards entering his room and robbing him of about $8, which was in his trousers near the bed. The trousers were found in an adjoining room, and the front door was standing open this morning.

The robbers used the same methods in robbing each home, in that they entered by rear windows, went into the bedrooms and robbed the trousers of their victims while they slept in beds not more than three or four feet away and leaving by the front doors, all of which they left open.

There seems to be no clue, whatever, as no one saw the parties, nor were any suspicious characters seen around the streets last night. However the county officials will make thorough investigations.

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# WEST ASHEVILLE TO ELECT TOWN OFFICERS

## MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN TO BE CHOSEN.

### Election Will Be Held Third Monday in November—Election Officers—Will Be Appointed.

West Asheville, which has just been incorporated as a town by the general assembly, is to hold an election the third Monday in November for the purpose of selecting a mayor and five aldermen who will be in charge of the affairs of the town for the next two years. Chairman Silas G. Bernard, of the county board of elections, stated yesterday that he will name the judges and registrars of the election during the early part of next week.

Already the people of the state's "baby town" are beginning to discuss the political situation and while none of the prospective candidates has not yet made a definite announcement there is no indication that there will be a dearth of candidates. Whether or not partisan tickets will be placed in the field is not yet known, although it is understood that several of the residents of Asheville's nearest neighbor have expressed their willingness to make the races for the various offices.

Under the provisions of the act the people of the town have the authority to vote upon a proposition authorizing the mayor and the board of aldermen to issue bonds for water and sewer lines and the purchase of lands for a water shed. Following the selection of the aldermanic board it is presumed that such an election will be held.

The limits of the new town are as follows: Beginning at the junction of the Swannanoa and French Broad rivers, up the French Broad to the mouth of Hominy creek, up Hominy creek to the mouth of Caney branch, up Caney branch to a point where the Murphy branch of the Southern Railway company crosses the branch, thence with the northern margin of the right of way of the Southern Railway company northeast to a point where the old Leicester and Asheville road spans the railroad with an overhead bridge, thence with the Leicester and Asheville road into West Asheville cemetery; thence with the east line of the West Asheville cemetery to R. P. Hayes' line, thence with the line of R. P. Hayes and Dr. P. B. Orr to Smith's Mill creek, thence down and with Smith Mill creek to the French Broad river and the corporate line of the city of Asheville to the beginning.

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# GREATEST FAIR IN HISTORY OF WESTERN NORTH CAROLINA OPENS AT RIVERSIDE TOMORROW

## SPLENDID PROGRAM OF ATHLETICS TOMORROW

MANY CONTESTANTS ENTERED FOR THE EVENTS.

Valuable Prizes Offered to Winners of Various Contests at the Fair Grounds Tomorrow.

Some of the best amateurs of Western North Carolina are entered in the various classes on the athletic program which is to be carried out at the Western North Carolina fair beginning at 10 o'clock Tuesday morning. The program this year is one of the best ever offered by the local fair association, and the prizes offered have attracted the best amateurs in this section of the state.

Fairview, Sand Hill, Weaverville, Leicester, and various other schools, as well as some of the city schools, have entries in the various events, and each contestant will come the most accompanied by enough "rooters" to see that he is not shouted down when the races begin.

The directors in charge of these events are Ed. B. Brown, John M. Roberts, C. E. Blackstock, T. M. Groening and Harry M. Dill, all of whom have had experience with various branches of athletics.

The program for the day's events is as follows:

From 10 a. m. to 1 p. m.

Prizes will be awarded for superiority in each of the following events, the order in no arranged later:

No. 1. 100-yard dash (Umbrella given by Palais Royal Company).

No. 2. Running high jump. (Half dozen Interwoven silk half hose given by M. V. Moore & Co.

No. 3. 220 yard dash (Stetson hat given by R. B. Zagler.)

No. 4. Pigmy race of 220 yard dash by contestants weighing not less than 150 pounds; no age limit (Keen Kutter razor given by Brown Hardware Co.

No. 5. Running broad jump (Rat tan Suit Case given by Boston Shoe Store.)

No. 6. 440 yard dash (Conklin Fountain Pen given by Brown Book Co.)

No. 7. Pole vault (Henckel Razor given by Brown-Northup & Co.)

No. 8. Three-legged race (Half dozen silk ties given by John A. Gaffey; set roll cuff buttons given by H. Redwood Co.; half dozen Arrow brand collars given by Neeley-Brinn Co.)

No. 9. 880 yard dash (Abbey & Imbrie steel fly rod given by L. Blomberg's Cigar Store.)

No. 10. Shot put (Blair fountain pen given by H. Taylor Rogers.)

No. 11. Shoe race (Pair Society shoes given by Ben Lumpkin's Sons Store.)

For highest average score in greatest number of events a pair of shoes will be given by The Nichols Shoe Co.

The judges will be Prof. J. M. Roberts, of the North State Fitting school, Prof. C. E. Blackstock, of the Sand Hill high school, and Prof. T. H. Franks, of the City high school. Harry M. Dill will be the official starter, Dr. J. T. Sevier official scorer, Ed. B. Brown clerk of the course and William Coleman timer.

## FRATERNAL PARADE TO BE BIGGEST EVER

MANY LODGES HAVE ENTERED FOR EVENT.

Prizes to Be Awarded for Largest Attendance and Largest Percentage of Attendance.

Rivalling any fraternal parade ever held in North Carolina, and surpassing any ever held in Western North Carolina will be the big "Brotherhood Day" fraternal organization parade which is to be held Wednesday afternoon, ending at the fair grounds of the Western North Carolina fair. Every effort is being made to get every fraternal organization in the western part of the state to have representatives in line, and indications are that nearly every lodge will be represented.

"Brotherhood Day," is the culmination of an effort, started nearly two months ago by the management of the Western North Carolina fair, to secure the attendance of as many secret orders as possible on some particular day of the fair. To this end, committees were appointed, and all have worked hard and faithfully to make "Brotherhood Day" a big day at the fair, and from every apparent indication, they have succeeded.

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The committees expect to have practically 5,000 men in line in the big parade. It will be commanded by Lieut. A. W. Freeman, who is chief marshall of the parade. Marshall Freeman's assistants are Col. H. E. Walters, E. K. Miller, J. H. Lindsey, Major Charles A. Mooney, Capt. B. C. Smathers, Sergt. B. W. Bonney, U. S. A., P. H. Case, J. R. Nicholson, Cloyd Penhal, Dr. A. A. Matthews, J. J. Barrat and C. C. McCall.

The marshall and assistant marshalls will lead the big parade, followed by carriages occupied by Dr. C. H. Honess, chairman of the Brotherhood Day committee, President B. D. Weaver, of the fair association, Secretary D. Harris, Dr. J. A. Rutledge, Judge T. A. Jones, Mayor J. E. Rankin, Rev. R. N. Willcox, and grand officers of the different fraternal organizations.

Next in line will come the first regiment band, which will be followed by the various lodges in the following order:

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Local and visiting Eagles, commanded by Morris Meyers.

Jr. O. U. A. M., Nos. 4 and 97, and visiting lodges, commanded by Clinard Pennel and A. L. Ducket.

Knights of Maccabees, commanded by J. N. Whiteside.

Central Labor union, commanded by John Drake.

Bryson City Military band.

187th regiment, W. O. W., commanded by Col. R. V. Ladd.

Belsam camp No. 1, and visiting members W. O. W.

Modern Woodman of America, I. G. Bagwell commanding.

United Commercial Travelers, commanded by L. B. Rogers.

Royal Arcanum, commanded by

## W. NORTH CAROLINA FAIR OPENS TUESDAY

GREATEST FAIR IN HISTORY OF THIS SECTION.

Bigger and Better Exhibits, Splendid Free Acts and Noted Speakers Comprise Attractions.

With bigger and better exhibits than ever before in its history, with greater, more interesting free acts than in this section, and with some of the most noted speakers in the United States, the Western North Carolina fair, the representative fair of Western North Carolina, opens its gates at the park tomorrow morning. The opening day will be celebrated as Educational Day, and all the school children of Buncombe county, both city and country schools will be present.

This year's fair will exceed in exhibits, events, speeches, prizes, free entertainments and special features, any fair ever attempted in Western North Carolina, and the promoters that all fair attendance records in this section of the state will be broken. Being divided into four special days, and enlisting the aid of different people interested in each special day, has insured a large attendance for each day, always providing the weather permits, and in this connection, it might be remarked that weather prospects for the week are unusually good.

Chief among the many speakers is Secretary of State William Jennings Bryan, who is to speak at the park Wednesday morning at 11:30 o'clock. High diving acts, balloon ascensions, and numerous other free shows go to make up the most elaborate program of free entertainments ever offered at a fair in Western North Carolina. All these attractions will be shown daily, in addition to the special speakers, contests and other features.

The program in full for the fair is as follows:

### EDUCATIONAL DAY.

Tuesday, October 7.

9:00 a. m.—Fair ground opened to visitors. Selections by Boy Scout band.

10:00 a. m.—Happy Hooligan and Gloomy Gus in auto trick house act.

10:30 a. m.—High diving dog Dooley.

11:00 a. m.—Singing contests by rural schools.

12:00 noon—Sutton Brothers sensational acrobatic act on comedy bars.

12:30 p. m.—Declamation and recitation contests.

1:00 p. m.—Balloon ascension.

2:15 p. m.—America and Carolina rendered by schools.

Program of Addresses.

2:30 p. m.—Formal opening of 1913 fair, Prof. N. D. McDowell, presiding. Invocation by Rev. J. D. Arnold.

2:50 p. m.—Introductory address by Rev. W. A. Newell.

3:00 p. m.—Address by Hon. James J. Britt, "Education and Popular Government."

3:00 p. m.—Aerial act by Marvelous Melville; singing contests by city schools; declamation contests by city schools; Manig and Gennettoin comedy barrel jumping.

4:00 p. m.—Selection by band, closing day session.

### NIGHT SESSION.

7:00 p. m.—Selections by band; Dooley in high diving act; the McLinn Trio in comedy balancing act; Marvelous Melville in sensational aerial act; spectacular fireworks display.

Don't fail to see the magnificent exhibits in the several departments. Numerous satisfying midway attractions. Check your parcels at the check

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Knights of Macabees, commanded by J. E. Whitefield.

Central Labor union, commanded by John Drake.

Bryson City Military band.

187th regiment, W. O. W., commanded by Col. R. V. Ladd.

Balsam camp No. 1, and visiting members W. O. W.

Modern Woodman of America, I. G. Bagwell commanding.

United Commercial Travelers, commanded by L. B. Rogers.

Royal Arcanum, commanded by Ben Marlow.

Red Men, commanded by W. M. Noblett.

Elks, commanded by S. T. Logan.

The line of march will be over the following route: Ravenscroft campus, Aston street to South Main, to Pack square, around Pack square, Patton avenue to Haywood street, to Montford, on to fair ground, arriving at judges' stand at 3:30 p. m.

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than ever before in the history of the fair. Features never attempted at a fair in this section will be seen, some of the most noted speakers in the United States, the Western North Carolina fair, the representative of the Western North Carolina Agricultural Society, will be on the grounds tomorrow morning. The opening day will be celebrated as Educational Day, and all the school children of Buncombe county, both city and county schools, will be present.

This year's fair will exceed in exhibits, events, speeches, prizes, free entertainments and special features any fair ever attempted in Western North Carolina, and the promoters think all fair attendance records for this section of the state will be broken. Being divided into four special days, and enlisting the aid of different people interested in each special day, has insured a large attendance for each day, always providing the weather behaves, and in this connection, it might be remarked that weather prospects for the week are unusually good.

Chief among the many speakers is Secretary of State William Jennings Bryan, who is to speak at the park Wednesday morning at 11:00 o'clock.

High diving acts, balloon ascensions, and numerous other free shows are to make up the most elaborate program of free entertainments ever offered at a fair in Western North Carolina. All these attractions will be shown daily, in addition to the special speakers, contests and other features.

The program in full for the fair is as follows:

EDUCATIONAL DAY.

Tuesday, October 7.

9:00 a. m.—Fair ground opened to visitors. Selections by Boy Scout band.

10:00 a. m.—Happy Hooligan and Gloomy Gus in auto trick house act.

10:30 a. m.—High diving dog Dooley.

11:00 a. m.—Singing contests by rural schools.

12:00 noon—Sutton Brothers sensational acrobatic act on comedy bars.

12:30 p. m.—Declamation and recitation contests.

1:30 p. m.—Balloon ascension.

2:15 p. m.—America and Carolina rendered by choir.

Program of Addresses.

3:30 p. m.—Formal opening of 1913 fair, Prof. R. D. McDowell, presiding. Invocation by Rev. J. D. Arnold.

3:50 p. m.—Introductory address by Rev. W. A. Newell.

3:00 p. m.—Address by Hon. James J. Britt, "Education and Popular Government."

4:00 p. m.—Aerial act by Marvelous Melville; singing contests by city schools; declamation contests by city schools; Martin and Gennett in comedy barrel jumping.

6:00 p. m.—Selection by band, closing day session.

NIGHT SESSION.

7:00 p. m.—Selections by band; Dooley in high diving act; the McLinn Trio in comedy balancing act; Marvelous Melville in sensational aerial act; spectacular fireworks display.

Don't fail to see the magnificent exhibits in the several departments. Numerous satisfying midway attractions. Check your parcels at the check room in the horticulaural building—5 cents per parcel. It will be an educational treat to see the cows milked with electrical milking machines.

BROTHERHOOD DAY.

Wednesday, October 8.

8:30 a. m.—Grounds opened thirty minutes earlier than usual in order to serve the convenience of the large number of visitors who will be present; selection by band.

10:30 a. m.—James Melville in sensational aerial act.

Program of Addresses.

11:00 a. m.—Hon. M. L. Shipman, Grand Master of I. O. O. F., presiding.

11:10 a. m.—Introductory address by Dr. L. H. MacBrayer.

11:20 a. m.—Address by Secretary of State William Jennings Bryan.

Pleasing variety of free acts.

Brotherhood Program.

3:30 p. m.—Arrival of "Brotherhood" parade.

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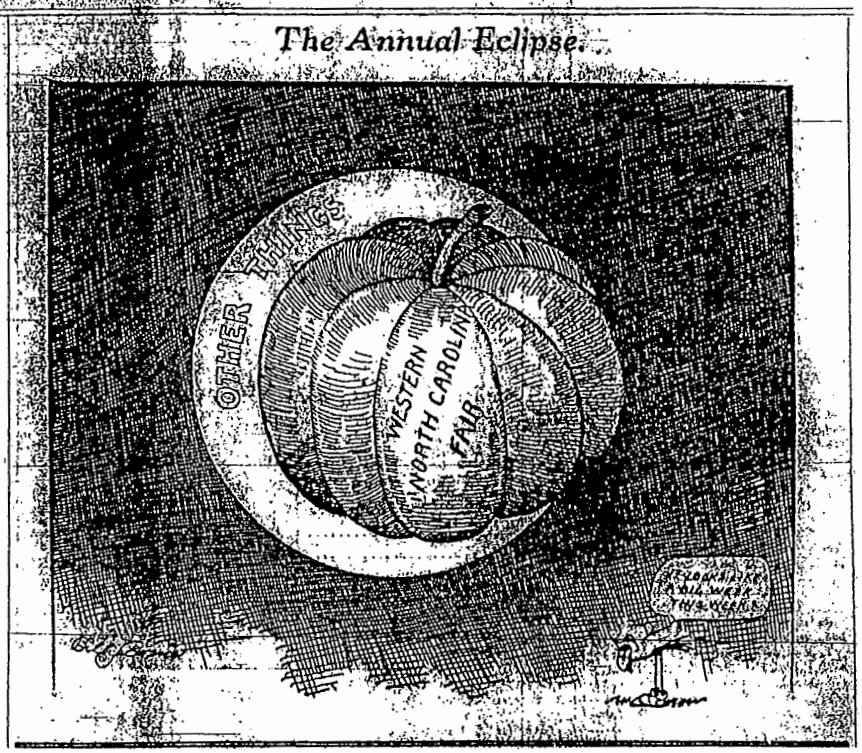


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# WEST ASHEVILLE BURGLAR IS TAKEN

## Young Young Clyde Ward Arrested at Pawn Shop Disposing of Articles.

Clyde Ward, a young white man about 20 years of age, was arrested yesterday afternoon and placed in the county jail, charged with breaking into and robbing several houses in West Asheville Wednesday night. The pawnbrokers of the city had been notified by the sheriff's office that if certain watches were presented to them, they were to notify the officials.

It is said that Ward entered a pawnshop yesterday, and after securing a sum of money on a watch, began to look at some rifles. The pawnbroker immediately went out and called a policeman who arrested Ward. He was then turned over to Deputy Sheriffs Mitchell and Parker, who placed him in jail. The watch was identified by A. B. Bishop as one that was stolen from him on Wednesday night.

When searched by the officers, Ward had a lady's gold chain, a gold watch, a pocketbook that is said to belong to Mr. Nuckles, one of the men whose house was robbed; and he also had a checkbook, a lady's pin, a rifle, box of cartridges and some neck ties. He could give no satisfactory answer as to where he got these articles.

After being questioned by the officers he admitted that he had only earned $2.75 during the past week, and further admitted that he had spent $7 yesterday.

When first arrested ward made the statement that he got the watches and other articles from his brother. An officer went for the brother and when brought before Ward he stated that that he had falsely accused his brother. An officer went for the brother, and then began to unwind a long string of stories about seluring the articles from numerous people, how he traded for them, from little boys and negroes. He told one story after another until the officers wearied of listening to them.

Ward has a bad record in the police and sheriff's departments having been arrested once before for housebreaking and once for a criminal assault. He was let off in both of these cases on grounds of insanity, it is understood. Ward has been living on a farm in West Asheville for sometime.

A preliminary hearing will be held in his case on next Monday afternoon before Magistrate B. L. Lyda, at 2 o'clock.

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# ANOTHER ARRESTED FOR W. ASHEVILLE ROBBERY

## Jeter Pritchard Implicated by Statement of Ward,—Also Charged.

Another man has been arrested charged with being implicated in the West Asheville robberies, which were committed on last Wednesday night. Saturday afternoon, upon information from Clyde Ward, who was arrested several days ago, members of the sheriff's office arrested Jeter Pritchard, and he is now confined in jail awaiting a preliminary hearing, which will be held this afternoon before Magistrate B. L. Lyda.

On the night of the eighth three homes in West Asheville were entered and robbed of money or other valuables, and Clyde Ward, a young white man, was arrested in a pawnshop on South Main street, where he had pawned a watch that was identified by Mr. Bishop as one that was stolen from him. Ward was placed in jail, and Saturday sent for an officer and told him that Pritchard was his partner in the robberies.

Pritchard, when arrested, was very bitter and mumbled threats of what he would do to Ward if he ever got out. Pritchard is about 20 years of age and has a record in the police and sheriff's department, having been arrested for larceny on several occasions.

The robberies for which these men are charged were very daring, in that bedrooms were entered.

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THE ASHEVILLE GAZETTE NEWS.

# CARSON AND NEWMAN IS DEFEATED BY BINGHAM

## Final Score Was 32 to 3—Visitors Did Not Have a Chance Against Cadets.

At Bingham Heights yesterday afternoon the Carson and Newman football team made its second appearance here this year and was most decisively beaten by the Bingham cadets. The final score was 32 to 3, and by the end of the game a number of the Bingham scrubs had replaced the 'varsity players. The visitors showed up very well in the first quarter, the score at the end of that period being only 3 to 0 in favor of the locals, but in the second quarter matters became muddled for the Carson and Newman boys and after that they never had any show at the game.

The line-ups for the two teams follow:

| Bingham: | Position: | Carson and Newman: |
|---|---|---|
| Flynn | L. E. | Bunch |
| Craig | L. T. | Speaker |
| Salmon | L. G. | Edwards |
| Davis | C. | Sullivan |
| Shore | R. G. | Peoples |
| Hinson, M. | R. T. | Ramseur |
| Williams | R. E. | Crudgington |
| Webster | Q. B. | Utley |
| Hooks | R. H. | Shown |
| Awtrey | L. H. | Wills |
| Sennary | F. B. | Squibb |

Substitutes: Hilliard for Awtrey, Marable for Hilliard, Ford for Flynn, Green for Salmon, Ekine for Williams, Allen for Elkin.

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# THINK A JOKER IS IN W. ASHEVILLE CHARTER

## Town Has Unusual Powers With Reference to Water and Sewer Systems.

The little city of West Asheville seems to be possessed of a Jonah when it comes to having charters and acts of incorporation drawn. Under the sanitary district act the town had a perpetual governing board that could not be ousted by election and which had the power to name successors of any who might be removed by death or other uncontrollable agencies. Now, under the new charter, there is a clause in section 2, regarding water and sewer arrangements, that may prove embarassing. The section reads, in part, as follows:

"The said town of West Asheville is herpby authorized and empowered to build, construct, operate, regulate and maintain a system of sewerage and water works . . . it shall have all the right to make all necessary regulations relating to the management and control of the said water and sewer systems as it may deem advisable, and shall have the right to charge for the use of water, and to require all inhabitants to connect with said sewer and water system. . . . ."

In all town and city charters of the past it has been generally customary to make that clause read, "and to require all premises to connect with said sewer and water system." Now if a man owns property in West Asheville that has no house on it or has no use for water the city may require that he make the sewer and water connections. If a man even lives out there he might be considered an inhabitant, and if he has no property, it is taken for granted that he will have to purchase a piece of land if the town government takes a notion that he should have these connections. It seems to be an arbitrary proposition.

Some who are in touch with the West Asheville political situation seem to think that there is a good deal more to the clause than a mere accidental wording. They say that there was no provision for the charter to be voted on, as it is alleged was promised, and that the presence of this clause was one of the causes why no one was allowed to know just what was incorporated in the charter before it was passed by the general assembly. In other words, they think a joker has been put over the West Asheville people.

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# WEST ASHEVILLE MASS MEETING NAMES TICKET

## A. L. Bright Nominated as Mayor—Harmony Prevailed—Election Nov. 17.

At the mass meeting of the citizens of West Asheville, held last night in the Odd Fellows' hall, a citizens ticket composed of the following was nominated: Mayor, A. L. Bright; aldermen, W. E. Britt, H. A. Brown, W. V. Felmet, J. C. Penland and Dr. J. B. Anderson.

A. E. Brown presided over the meeting, and J. R. Reynolds and Graham Brown acted as secretaries. A large and representative number of the citizens of West Asheville attended the meeting and harmony prevailed throughout the proceedings. Each nominee was chosen with a good majority, and as each name was called the friends greeted it with cheers.

The election will be held on November 17, and the registration books will open on Saturday, November 1, and remain open until the following Saturday

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THE ASHEVILLE GAZETTE-NEWS.

# WEST ASHEVILLE MEN INTERESTED IN POLITICS

## Working Men Will Put out Another Ticket—May Be A Third.

The political pot in West Asheville is beginning to boil merrily. A citizens' ticket was placed in the field a short time ago and now a call has been issued for a mass meeting to be held there tonight to name another ticket. This ticket, like the first one, will be non-partisan, it is stated, and those issuing the call for the meeting are: H. P. Morris, W. D. Miller, A. S. Nicholson, R. S. Hollingsworth, R. L. Duckett and J. C. Wallace. According to this call, the men named on the ticket tonight will represent the working men of West Asheville. There also seems a likelihood that a third ticket will be named before the election is held next month.

The idea behind all this political activity, it is stated, is to arouse the citizens of the town to a greater interest in the affairs of their municipality, and to impress upon those who are candidates for office the fact that the officers are coveted positions. Those who are instigating the fight think that it will mean a great deal for the future of the town for everybody to take a lively interest in its affairs from the very beginning. That interest promises to be intense before the vote is cast in the coming election.

These officers are to be named under the new charter of the town, which was passed at the special session of the general assembly, and the important plank in the platforms of the candidates will be their views as to what compensation shall be given the holders of office, since it will rest with the mayor and board of aldermen selected to fix salaries. With two tickets in the field and the likelihood of another, the bidding may become spirited.

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# WORKING MEN NAMED THEIR CANDIDATES

## REV. JAMES CROOK WAS NOMINATED FOR MAYOR.

### Non-Partisan Ticket Selected to Oppose Recently Nominated Citizens' Ticket.

The "working man's ticket" was placed in the field by voters of West Asheville, at an enthusiastic meeting of the residents of the new town which was held last night at the Odd Fellows' hall and plans were made for the approaching campaign. The ticket follows: Mayor Rev. James L. Crook; aldermen, W. E. Britt, M. V. Felmet, L. J. Moses, R. M. Miller and W. B. Westall. Messrs. Britt and Felmet are also on the "citizens' ticket" which was named at a mass meeting held a week ago. Both are democrats. The nominee of the workingmen for mayor is a progressive republican, Mr. Westall is a socialist, Mr. Miller is a democrat, and Mr. Moses is a republican. In the various speeches made last night the speakers urged a non-partisan ticket and party affiliations were not taken into consideration in selecting the nominees.

A. W. Kerr called the meeting to order and H. C. Hugill was named as temporary chairman, with Hugh Miller acting as temporary secretary. Mr. Hugill explained the object of the meeting, stating that some of the voters are not altogether satisfied with the ticket named at the first meeting of citizens of West Asheville. He referred to the fact that at the previous mass meeting, no resolutions were adopted binding those in attendance to support the nominees, and he invited all West Asheville citizens who are interested in the welfare of the town to participate in the meeting.

The temporary organization, upon motion, was made permanent, and C. G. Carson nominated Rev. Mr. Crook for mayor. He declared that the nominee is capable of looking after the best interests of the town and through long association with the residents of West Asheville has won their confidence and esteem. He's the friend of the workingman, the speaker remarked, and should be elected by them. No other nominations were made, and Rev. Mr. Crook was elected without opposition. It will be recalled that at the first meeting he was defeated by A. L. Bright, heading the citizens' ticket by three votes.

Older residents of Buncombe county were reminded of former political conventions when John Hollingsworth expressed his desire to place in nomination five men for places on the aldermanic board. The convention voted against the procedure, holding that the nominees for alderman should be named separately. Mr. Hollingsworth moved that Messrs. Britt and Felmet, nominees of the citizens' ticket, be endorsed and be placed on the "workingman's ticket." The chair ruled that it would not be possible to name the two candidates without their consent, and Mr. Britt, who was in the hall, expressed his willingness to run on both tickets. Referring to a recent conference with Mr. Felmet, he stated that the latter is also willing to run for alderman on both tickets. The two men were nominated.

The names for the three remaining places on the aldermanic board were placed before the meeting, and the convention adopted a resolution providing for the election of the three highest men. The ballot resulted as follows: L. J. Moses, 49; R. M. Miller, 38; W. B. Westall, 28; E. J. Carter, 20;

Mr. Hugill congratulated the convention upon its selection of the nominees and declared that working men are in the fight to the finish. If there is any place in the world where the workingmen should control the government, he stated, it is West Asheville. The town was made possible by the laboring people who left their favorite city and settled "across the river," where they could secure comfortable homes at moderate prices. The band has expanded, it was stated, until self-government is essential, and the workingmen want to support a ticket made up of men from their own ranks. The speaker urged that the campaign be conducted on a high plane and expressed the hope that none of the supporters of the ticket will stoop to engage in personalities to insure the success of his favorites.

Nominee Crook was called to the platform and he was received with an ovation. He remarked that he has been willing to take the advice of his friends and neighbors during the time that he has resided in West Asheville, and he expressed his intention of continuing to listen to good advice after he is elected mayor. "I'm not running against Mr. Bright," the speaker remarked, "I'm running for mayor." He pleaded for a clean campaign and the absence of abuse.

By a rising vote the vast majority of those present pledged themselves to support the nomines of the convention and a vote of thanks was extended to The Asheville Citizen for its action in sending a member of its staff to the meeting, thereby securing an accurate report.

Following the mass meeting, a "workingman's club" was formed, with the officers who were chosen at the convention. The club will immediately begin to make its campaign.

Asheville Citizen October 28, 1913

# REGISTRATION BOOKS OPENED YESTERDAY

**Many Residents of West Asheville Registered During the Day—Campaign Committees.**

The registration books for the first West Asheville election to be held under the new charter were opened yesterday morning and reports from the neighboring town were to the effect that many of the residents of the town registered during the day. The supporters of the "workingmen's ticket" and the citizens' ticket" are working hard in behalf of their favorites, and the indications are that the first registration will be a very heavy one.

The workingmen's club, which was organized for the purpose of supporting the members of the "workingmen's ticket," has appointed the committees which will have charge of the campaign. The executive committee is composed of R. S. Hollingsworth, A. W. Kerr, W. D. Miller, Dr. J. K. Gorrell, H. P. Morrin and J. C. Wallace. The registration committee is composed of A. S. Nicholson, John Hollingsworth, H. P. Morrin, George W. Smith, J. A. Ebbs, Dr. Lee Davis, James Hill, Ellis Cowan, C. E. Carson and Z. T. Ledbetter.

The election promises to be an interesting one, and those who have registered are hearing many reasons advanced as to why they should support the various candidates.

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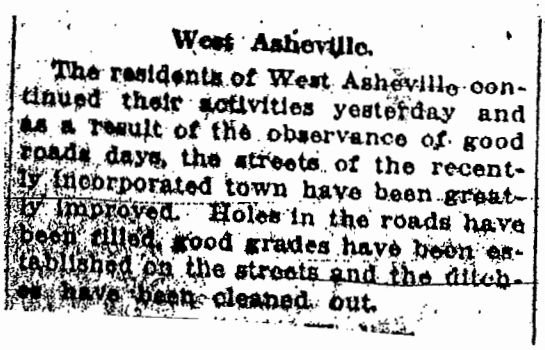
Big barbecue marks 2nd of Good Roads days (partial article)



**West Asheville.**

The residents of West Asheville continued their activities yesterday and as a result of the observance of good roads days, the streets of the recently incorporated town have been greatly improved. Holes in the roads have been filled, good grades have been established on the streets and the ditches have been cleaned out.

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NOVEMBER 10, 1913.

# OVER THREE HUNDRED VOTERS REGISTERED

## MUCH INTEREST BEING SHOWN IN THE ELECTION.

### Candidates for Offices in West Asheville Urging Supporters to Wage Clean Campaign.

More than 80 per cent. of the voters of West Asheville are eligible to participate in the first election which is to be held under the recently enacted charter incorporating the town, the registration books, which were closed Saturday night, showing that 311 people registered. This is regarded as an unusually large registration and is evidence of the fact that the people of the adjoining town are vitally interested in the approaching election, when a mayor and members of the board of aldermen will be selected.

With the closing of the registration books, it is hardly probable that any other tickets will be placed in the field for the town offices. The "citizens ticket" was the first to be named and later the "workingmen's ticket" was nominated. Both are non-partisan and for a while people in touch with the political situation felt that the naming of partisan tickets for the offices to be filled was not improbable. However, it is regarded as a certainty now that the race will be between the "citizens" and the "workingmen." Had those who favored straight tickets felt that it was advisable to name party workers, they undoubtedly would have called a convention prior to the closing of the registration books, in order that they might get their cohorts to establish their eligibility to participate in the election. With the fact established that no other ticket will be put out, the workers are confining their efforts to boosting the candidates who are now in the field and West Asheville is about evenly divided, it is said. Those who are in touch with the situation say that, at this time, it is impossible to forecast the winners, the voters who have expressed their preference being so evenly divided that it is impossible to count on any definite results. It is regarded as a certainty that the successful candidates will be those who poll the majority of the votes cast by West Asheville citizens who are not expressing their views as to the merits of the opposing tickets.

It is presumed that within the next few days the candidates will begin to express their views as to the policies for which they stand. The charter doesn't provide for the salaries of the officers and the naming of the remunerations will be in the hands of the members of the board. The voters expect that it will not be long until the candidates make announcements as to what salaries they will expect.

Some of the voters are authority for the statement that personalities are being engaged in to a slight extent, although the leading supporters of the opposing tickets declare that those workers who are resorting to this method of campaigning are doing so against the advice and wishes of the candidates. The nominees of both the "workingmen" and the "citizens" have expressed the hope that the campaign will be conducted on a high plane and they are urging their friends to refrain from a mud-slinging contest.

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# CITIZENS OF WEST ASHEVILLE IN WHIRLPOOL OF POLITICS

## Mass Meeting Last Night Largely Attended and Several Good Speeches are Made—Things Getting Warm Across River.—Election Tuesday.

With election day but five days off, the citizens of West Asheville are getting down to real campaign work. Poll tax receipts are being searched out, while party workers are searching the records to see what grounds may be found for challenging votes on next Tuesday, when a mayor and five aldermen will be elected for the new town, a mass meeting was held last night at the Odd Fellows' hall, at which the candidates on the workingmen's ticket outlined their policies in administration work in the event their ticket is elected.

Dr. J. G. Anderson, candidate for alderman on the citizens' ticket, was also present, and on invitation from the audience, made known his ideas of what should be done by those who will be chosen next Tuesday.

While politics in the old form is entirely eliminated from the contest, the two tickets being absolutely nonpartisan, yet it is reported that old political methods are being used by some supporters of both tickets, it is said, against the wishes of the leaders of either side. For instance, it is said that some of the advocates of the citizens' ticket refer to the candidates on the workingmen's ticket as "old fogies," "knotty dressed," "standpatters" and "reactionaries," while it is also said some of the workers for the workingmen's ticket return the compliment by referring to the candidates on the citizens' ticket as "upstarts," "ring rule," "Tammanyites," etc. Yet the very friendliest feeling seems to exist between the leaders and candidates of both tickets, as was demonstrated last night when the Rev. Mr. Crook, candidate for mayor on the workingmen's ticket, in his speech before the mass meeting, said that his opponents were his neighbors, and as such he urged his friends and followers to refrain from the use of mud-slinging methods. Mr. Crook, in outlining his policy, said that he stood for improvements for West Asheville, especially in the matter of a better water system and a good sanitary condition for the little city. Mr. Crook said that it had been reported that if the workingmen's ticket is elected that they will do nothing in the way of improvements. He denounced the ones who had started and circulated the report, saying that if his ticket is successful that he and the aldermen will do all in their power for the progress and upbuilding of West Asheville, yet they would go about it cautiously and would not, he said, plunge the town into a big debt at the very outset.

In replying to another report which Mr. Crook said was being circulated, to the effect that he and his running mates had already agreed to use the water furnished by Mr. Hayes' system, the only system now used, he branded the report as false, and said it was being circulated to injure his ticket. He stated further that there had been no contracts entered into with anyone, nor had there been any promises made except his promise, if elected, to give a progressive yet careful administration; to improve West Asheville, but to do it in such a manner as the new town can afford.

### Dr. Anderson's Talk.

Dr. J. G. Anderson, candidate for alderman on the citizens' ticket, was invited to address the meeting, and was given an ovation, although he was in the enemy's camp. Dr. Anderson paid a tribute to the men who are on the ticket opposing him. He said it was not a question of which ticket had the best men, but the big question for West Asheville is that of plenty of water and good sanitary conditions. He asserted that there were certain things existing in West Asheville which are detrimental to that town's growth, and that these things must be removed. The applause given Dr. Anderson's speech was as enthusiastic as that accorded any of the speakers on the opposing ticket.

R. M. Miller, candidate for alderman on the workingmen's ticket, made a short talk in which he pledged his services to a progressive administration, if elected, and his support to the administration, if he should be defeated.

### Casts First Stone.

Robert Patillo threw a small-sized pebble into the otherwise calm waters, causing quite a little excitement when he arose and asked the candidates present if they would vote for a bond issue for water and other purposes in the event of their election. He put the question to Mr. Crook, and before that gentleman made reply Mr. H. C. Hugill said that as chairman of the workingmen's club, and in a sense the manager of Mr. Crook's campaign, he refused to allow Mr. Crook to answer the question. Dr. Anderson did not reply to the question either. Other speakers were called for and the incident passed.

Several citizens made short talks, the unanimous desire seeming to be for better water facilities and better sanitation.

THE ASHEVILLE CITIZEN—FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 1913.

# FRED FORE IS CHARGED WITH VIOLATION OF WHITE SLAVE LAW

## Warrants Are Drawn Alleging That West Asheville Resident Enticed Young Girl to Knoxville Where She Was Placed in an Immoral Resort.

Warrants for the arrest of Fred Fore, a resident of West Asheville, and a witness serving a sentence on the county roads have been issued by the federal authorities, both here and in Knoxville, charging him with violating the white slave law. Miss Cecile Ledford, aged 17, who lives with her mother in that section of the city across the river at the Southern railway bridge, is named as his victim.

It is stated in the warrants that Fore, who is a married man, 50 years old, took the Ledford girl to Knoxville during the recent Appalachian exposition and placed her in a resort. It is alleged that Fore and the girl lived together in the house of Nellie Green, Knoxville's notorious character, for a week or more, after which Fore sent her money to return to Asheville in order that he would escape the white slave officers, who were then on the trail.

Federal officers headed by Officer J. A. Bingham located the girl and notified Chief Bennett, local white slave officer, who immediately investigated and found that the girl's mother had received a letter from the girl stating that she was staying in Knoxville. As soon as the mother was notified by the police she directed a letter to her daughter and made arrangements for her return home.

It is alleged that Fore, in order to hide the identity of the girl made her assume the name of Alberta Jones, and a scheme was concocted whereby she posed as the younger sister of the landlady, pretending to have just come to the city to live with her sister.

Shortly after his return to Asheville Fore was arrested on a charge of reckless driving and was sentenced to a term of eight months on the county road. This sentence was passed on him by Judge Adams in the police court about two weeks ago. Consequently when the federal officers sought him to serve the papers and take him in custody they found the city authorities were ahead of them and will now have to wait until the prisoner serves his term before any further proceedings can be taken in the matter.

The officers state that the story related by the girl after her discovery in the house was indeed pitiful. It is alleged that she claimed to have been enticed away from home by the alluring stories told her of the wonders of the exposition and that she had no idea where she was going until she found herself in the house where she was found.

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NOVEMBER 18, 1913.

# ELECTION OF TOWN OFFICIALS TODAY

## WEST ASHEVILLE VOTERS WILL VISIT POLLS.

### Candidates on "Citizens'" Ticket And "Workingmen's" Ticket Are Confident.

With the candidates confident, their supporters active and more than 80 per cent. of the voters registered, everything is in readiness for the first election to be held at West Asheville under the provisions of the act passed at the recent special session of the general assembly incorporating the town. A mayor and five members of the board of aldermen are to be chosen and the election promises to be one of unusual interest. The candidates of the "citizens' ticket" and the "workingmen's ticket" have some enthusiastic supporters, and the voters will hear many arguments advanced today as to why they should vote for the different candidates. The campaign has been a hard-fought one and in view of the intense interest which has been shown, the politically wise are unwilling to make any forecasts as to the results of today's election. The indications are that the winning ticket will be able to boast of but a small majority.

Both tickets are non-partisan, the two mass meetings at which the candidates were selected having decided to consider no political affiliations in naming their nominees. Regardless of which ticket wins, the town will be governed by a non-partisan board, unless a sufficient number of voters should scratch both tickets for party men to elect a partisan governing board.

The nominee of the citizens' ticket, chosen at a mass meeting held on the night of Thursday, October 23, follow:

For mayor, A. L. Bright; for aldermen, W. V. Felmet, Dr. G. G. Anderson, W. E. Britt, H. A. Brown and J. C. Penland.

The candidates of the workingmen's ticket, selected at a mass meeting which was held on the night of Monday, October 27, follow:

For mayor, Rev. J. L. Crook; for aldermen, W. E. Britt, W. V. Felmet, L. J. Moses, R. M. Miller and W. B. Westall.

That the campaign has aroused no little interest among the voters is evidenced by the fact that 311 of the residents of the town have registered in order that they might participate in today's election. They will visit the polls early, it is expected, and the supporters of the opposing tickets will leave nothing undone to insure the success of their favorites. The polls open at 8 o'clock and close at sunset.

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# W. ASHEVILLE WOMEN FORM ORGANIZATION

## WILL HELP IN BETTERMENT OF SCHOOL CONDITIONS.

### Meeting Marked With Enthusiasm—Work Outlined and Women Elect Officers.

Imbued with the idea of co-operating with the West Asheville school authorities in an endeavor to make the West Asheville schools the best in the county, sixty-seven women of that town gathered yesterday at the schoolhouse in pursuance to a call issued by the school authorities, organized a society of mothers, elected officers and heard several enthusiastic addresses on the needs of the West Asheville schools.

Prof. J. W. Bradley, principal of the West Asheville school, presided at the meeting, and County Superintendent W. H. Hipp was also present. Addresses were made by Superintendent Hipp and Professor Bradley, and by Dr. Brownson and H. A. Brown, members of the school committee for that district.

In all these addresses the need of the co-operation of the mothers of the town, especially those with children in the school, was emphasized, and the ladies of the town were asked to organize in order to give better co-operation to the school authorities. The work that could be done by the mothers in influencing the children to attend school regularly and in influencing the enactment of town and county legislation favorable to the school was pointed out, and was enthusiastically received.

The meeting was filled with enthusiasm from the time it was called to order until the women had gathered, after the addresses, and organized into a society, the name of which will be decided later. Mrs. H. A. Brown was elected president, Mrs. S. J. Boyles, vice president, and Miss Minnie Jones, secretary and treasurer. Miss Minnie Jones, Mrs. George Starnes and Miss Bessie Morgan were named as an executive committee to draft a constitution and by-laws for the society.

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# WORKING MEN HOLD THEIR FINAL RALLY

## WORKINGMEN'S MEETING WELL ATTENDED.

### Nominee Crook Pleads for Co-Operation With the Successful Candidates—Gives Views.

Enthusiastic in the belief that their ticket will win at today's election in West Asheville, members of the Workingmen's club held their last meeting and closed their active campaign at the Odd Fellows' hall last night. A good-sized crowd was present and several speeches were made, the principal speaker being Rev. J. L. Crook, candidate for mayor on the workingmen's ticket. Mr. Crook complimented the officers and active workers of the organization upon the splendid work which they have done, and urged them to work today with the same zeal that has characterized their efforts of the past two weeks. He predicted that success will crown their efforts today.

The speaker urged his friends, in the event of his defeat, to lend their support to the man who is elected mayor, that West Asheville may grow and prosper. Candidate Crook stated that regardless of which ticket is elected, the mayor and board of aldermen will have some difficulty in pleasing all of the people. It will be the duty of all good citizens to help the successful candidate to put into effect such laws as will assure the new town a safeguard to health and proper police protection. Mr. Crook advocated the passage of ordinances that will be beneficial and urged the enforcement of them. He assured his hearers that if his ticket is successful, the residents of the town will be consulted as to the laws which are to be made.

L. L. Lee made a short but interesting talk, in which he expressed the belief that Mr. Crook will, if elected, make a good mayor for West Asheville. He predicted a bright future for the new town, setting forth the advantages of its location.

Dr. J. G. Anderson, candidate for alderman on the "citizens'" ticket, was present last night, but made no statement other than to thank the officers and members of the Workingmen's club for the courtesies shown him.

H. C. Hugill, chairman of the club, made a short talk, in which he thanked his friends for the work which had been done.

# FRED FORE ARRESTED BY FEDERAL OFFICER

**Charged With White Slavery, He Was Taken to Jail and Will Be Sent to Knoxville.**

The federal authorities here yesterday arrested Fred Fore, a citizen of West Asheville, on a charge of white slavery. The arrest was made by Deputy Marshal T. F. Roland on a warrant sworn out by the federal authorities in Knoxville charging Fore with having brought Miss Percie Ledford, a pretty, 17-year-old Asheville girl, to Knoxville during the Appalachian exposition and of having put her in a house of ill fame.

The warrant was sent here from Knoxville several weeks ago, and the local officers immediately began to investigate the Asheville end of the case, but were unable to place their hands on Fore, as he had already been arrested by the city authorities on a charge of retailing, and was serving a sentence of eight months on the county roads.

However, through a habeas corpus proceedings, Fore obtained his freedom from the road sentence yesterday, after being placed under a $500 bond. The name of Jack Sams appears on his bond. As soon as the local federal authorities heard of his release they immediately began a search for him, and it is stated that he had been free but a few minutes when he was again taken into custody. He was taken to the Buncombe county jail and lodged there for safekeeping until the authorities are ready to send him to Knoxville. It is thought this will probably be a week.

Fore is a man of good appearance and pleasnant address, while the girl is unusually pretty. Fore is a married man, about thirty years old, and is well known in Asheville, where he has been living for several years.

The federal officers here are constantly on the lookout for those engaged in the white slave traffic, and it is stated that the officers n every part of the country have been instructed to be especially active in this branch of their work.

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# CITIZENS TICKET SUCCESSFUL IN WEST ASHEVILLE ELECTION

## Candidates of the "Working Men" Are Defeated in Towns's First Fight at the Polls—Remarkable Victory—Good Majorities.

In the first election to be held in the town of West Asheville under the new charter, the candidates on the "citizens' ticket" were easy winners over the nominees of the "workingmen," A. L. Bright, candidate for mayor, and the aldermen on his ticket being elected with substantial majorities. The winning ticket follows: Mayor, A. L. Bright; aldermen, W. E. Britt, W. V. Felmet, Dr. J. C. Anderson, H. A. Brown and J. Clingman Penland. Mr. Bright's majority over Rev. James L. Crook, the candidate for mayor of the "workingmen," was 35. Mr. Britt and Mr. Felmet were endorsed by both factions, and they led the ticket, the former polling 236 votes, while the vote for the latter was 221.

The vote for the opposing nominees, not including that of the two aldermanic candidates whose names were on both tickets, follows: For mayor, A. L. Bright, 139; Rev. James L. Crook, 104. For aldermen, Dr. J. C. Anderson, 165; J. Clingman Penland, 158; H. A. Brown, 134; Robert M. Miller, 114; W. B. Westall, 108; Larkin J. Moses, 87.

The election was one of unusual interest, and the supporters of the two tickets reported for duty early yesterday morning at the polling place, the Odd Fellows' hall. The "citizens" started the day by voting a large number of supporters, and throughout the day those who lingered about the polls believed that the successful ticket maintained a slight lead. Its majority, however, was such that it was not possible for the supporters of the winning ticket to regard the election as won until the votes were counted. The election of Mr. Britt and Mr. Felmet was conceded early in the day, and the race narrowed down to that in which the other candidates were concerned. The returns show that Dr. Anderson led the ticket in the race in which there was a contest. Mr. Moses polled the lightest vote, 87 constituting his showing.

The polls closed at sunset and the task of counting the votes was a tedious one, as there was a great deal of scratching. The result of the election was not known until shortly after 7 o'clock, when the Odd Fellows' hall was well filled with West Asheville citizens who were interested in the outcome of the election. Both candidates for mayor were in the hall at the time that the result was announced, and several of the aldermanic candidates were present. The defeated candidate for mayor was the first to congratulate Mr. Bright, assuring him of his support in all matters looking for the improvement of civic conditions in West Asheville. Mr. Bright expressed his appreciation of the sentiments expressed, and pledged himself to put forth his very best efforts looking to the good of the town. Several of the aldermen were called on for short talks, although none of them made any address other than to express his appreciation of the honor conferred upon him and to thank his friends for their support.

In talking to a representative of The Citizen, Mayor Bright declared that he greatly appreciated the work which has been done in his behalf, and paid a high compliment to the successful candidates for aldermen, saying that the town will begin its government with a board which can be depended upon to act wisely in all matters pertaining to the government of West Asheville. He declared that the successful candidates will need the support of the residents of the town and will not be able to make their administration a successful one without the active support of all West Asheville people who are interested in the welfare of the place. He declared that in carrying on the government of the town he will show no partiality, but will perform his duties to the best of his ability in a fair and impartial manner.

To The Citizen, Rev. Mr. Crook declared that he has made a good fight and had waged his campaign as best he could. "Mr. Bright is my mayor," he remarked, "and I can be depended upon to support the new administration."

The victory of the nominees of the "citizens" is regarded as a remarkable one. They have held no mass meetings and have not sent out any speakers to gain supporters of their ticket. While the "workingmen" have held several rallies and made many speeches, the "citizens" have refrained from all kinds of public gatherings. However, they have not been idle, as is evidenced by their showing in the first town election. The plans of their campaign have ben made at frequent committee meetings, and they have won voters to their cause through personal conferences with the voters of the town.

The newly elected city council will hold a meeting at an early date, probably within a week or ten days, when an organization will be perfected and officers will be elected. A town marshal is to be chosen and the aldermanic board has the right to authorize an election at which it will be decided whether or not bonds shall be issued for improved water and sewer lines. It is expected that such an election will be held in the near future.

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# OFFICERS WILL BE SWORN IN TUESDAY

## WEST ASHEVILLE COUNCIL TO ASSUME ITS DUTIES.

### Town Marshal is to Be Elected by the Board of Aldermen—Many Candidates in the Field.

The recently elected mayor and members of the board of aldermen of West Asheville probably will be sworn in Tuesday and they will hold their first meeting Tuesday afternoon for the purpose of perfecting an organization and electing officers of the town. Mayor-Elect A. L. Bright will be sworn in by a justice of the peace, it is expected, following which the mayor will administer the oath of office to the aldermen. The councilmen will immediately assume charge of the business affairs of the town.

Under the provisions of the charter the mayor and aldermen are to elect a town marshal who will be the arresting officer of the town. Many candidates are working for this position and the election promises to be a close one. It is understood that members of the board of aldermen have pledged their support to different candidates and the indications are that several ballots will be necessary for the election of the officer.

The mayor and aldermen have not yet decided where they will maintain their headquarters or at what place the meetings will be held. These matters are to be considered at Tuesday's meeting, which promises to be an interesting one.

The question of additional water and sewer lines is one in which a great deal of interest is being shown, and it is expected that one of the first things to come before the board will be business concerning more lines. Under the provisions of the charter the councilmen can authorize an election, at which the voters of the town will be given an opportunity to vote on the question of a bond issue for those improvements. It is expected that such an election will be called at an early date.

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Mainor Jason (Mary)
Marshall E C (Bertie)
May Arthur (Julia B)
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Meadows M R (Delia V)
Meadows U S (Mary E)
Meadows Wm (Daisy)
Melton Thos (Arie)
Merrimon J G (Blanche S)
Metcalf Peter (Julia)
Michaels Jas (Minnie)
Miller C F (Berta)
Miller Hugh (Julia)
Miller J J (Josephine)
Miller L G (Lucy K)
Miller Lawrence Jr (Jennie)
Miller Marcell L (Hattie)
Miller Marion
Miller Mary E, wid Reilly
Miller Minnie Miss, dressmkr
Miller R M (Nellie)
Miller T C (Janie)
Miller T H (Mattie)
*Miller Thos (Esther)
Miller W D (Mary E)
*Miller Wm L (May)
Mills J R (Theodosia)
Mills W J (Rebecca)
Misenhimer J E (Kate)
Mitchell A E (Geneva)
Mitchell D F (Annie)
*Mitchell Hattie
Mitchell T J (Ada A)
Monday C U (Nellie J)
Moody B F (Mary J)
Moody Wm K (Josephine)
Moody Wm (Azelene)
Moore A F (Carrie)
Moore A S (Sallie)
Moore J M (Margaret A)
Moore L D (Loys)
Moore L H (Mary)
Moore Robt
Moore Susannah, wid Newton
Morgan Mattie, wid Jesse
Morgan W R (Maude L)
Morrison S E (Mollie), gro
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Murphy Helen Miss
Musser J A
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Nicholson A S (Rachael)
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Nicholson E J (Margaret)
Nicholson E L (Allie)
Nicholson J H (Delia E), gro
Nicholson J R (Effie)
Nix T F (Nettie)
Noblitt T J (Fannie)
Norris C O (Zola)
Norton J M
Nuckles E L (Mabel)
Nuckles G C (Rosa B)
Nuckles Geo & Son, genl mdse
Odd Fellows Hall
O'Kelley S D (Donna)
Olive H J, gro
Orr P B Dr (Nancy E)
Orr Sarah L, wid Jno B
Owen Addie R, wid Jno S
Owens Z W (Ellen)
Owensby Myra, wid R Lee
Pace Lee, wid Ralph
Parker Lawrence E (Laura)
Parris A J (Lavonia)
Patterson J M (Avolina)
Peacock H F (Maude)
Penland Bros, blksmiths
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Penland J D
Penland Jesse C (Bertha)
Penland L J (Hattie L)
Penland R C (Edith)
Penland & Fore, gro
Penney H H (Helen)
Peterson W A (Allie)
Phipps Millard (Minnie)
Pinner G W (Alice L), contr
Pinner J D (Susan)
Pittillo R L (Ila)
Plemmons Chas C (Lula)
Plemmons Lee
Plemmons Oscar (Mollie)
Plemmons Cynthia E, wid Wm
Potts W P (R V), gro
Price H T (Annie), soft drinks
Price J R, blksmith
Ramsey Crawford (Texie)

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Revis H C (Charlotte)
Revis H G (Mollie)
Revis J M (Belle)
Revis L Milton (Daisy E)
Revis T F (Margaret J)
Reynolds B O (Lottie E)
Reynolds C V (Elizabeth)
Reynolds Dorcas, wid Wm
Reynolds J R (Maude J)
Reynolds Wm A (Lillie)
Roberts A D (Addie)
Roberts E G (Mary A)
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Roberts J V (Irene)
Roberts Mary E, wid J R
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Roberts Wesley (Clementine)
Robinson L B (Dora)
Rodgers J F (Betsy)
Russell Arsenith S wid W T
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Sams T W (Omie)
Sawyer G C (Sadie)
Scoggin J E (Pearl)
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*Scott Alonzo (Sallie)
Scott S A (Lula)
Shelton J F (Sarah A)
Shelton L B (Lillie)
Shelton T D (Georgia)
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Sherrill Chas (Eliza)
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Shipley B H (Debbie)
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Sircy W B (Tina)
Skipper Ferdinand
Sloop W J
Sloop Wm R (Nannie)
Sluder J L (Mollie)
Smith C F (Cathryn)
Smith G W (Roxanna)
Smith Geo R (Elizabeth)
*Smith Jno (Nettie)
Smith K D (Sarah)
Smith May Mrs
*Smith Oliver (Celia)
Snyder H M (Minnie)
Soesbee J W (Lula)
Southwick C H (Debby I)
Spivey Jerome (Josephine)
Spivey R L (Ina)
Starnes G H (Theresa E)
Steelman W A (Dora)
Stepp G B (Josephine)
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Suddreth G L (Rosa)
Sullivan Edwd
Sumner Alonzo (Eva E)
Sumner E M (Lillie)
Sumner J H (Elizabeth)
Tabor Mary Mrs
Tabor Osborn
Taylor Carl (Zenie)
Taylor J R (Zora E)
Taylor M B (Lilly J)
Taylor O C (Nicha)
Teague I M (Ollie L)
Teague J R (Hattie)
*Thomas Rachael
Thompson C M (Mammie)
Tipton G J (Marjorie)
SUBURBS—EIGHT .. ....
Towe V F (Ethel)
Tweed V T (Annie)
Van Valkenburg J F (Annie B)
Vaughan H A (Cora)
Vaughan H L (Maude)
Walsh J P (Ovalena)
Wamboldt M M Rev
Warren F H (Ella)
Watts Addie Mrs, gro
Watts L C (Addie)
Webb G A (Effie)
Webb Susan, wid M C
Weidler E P (Sadie G), poultry
Welch J L (Julia)
Wells Benj (Gertrude)
Wells H A (Laura)
Wells R M (Annie)
West Asheville Cemetery
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*West Asheville M E Zion Church
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West C M (Nola)

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Williams Nannie, wid Noah A
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Williams W J (Susie E)
*Wills Rufus (Kate)
Wilson H W (Ada)
Wilson Margaret Mrs
Wilson Oscar (Maude)
*Wilson Saml (Carrie)
Wilson W A (Hattie)
Winnette H W (Myrtle)
Winslow E L (Ida)
Wolfe Josephine, wid Jas J
Wood C F (Laura)
Woody C J (Laura E)
Worley C M
Worley H B (Rena)
Worley R J (Freda)
Worley Rachel M, wid Wiley J
Worley W M (Ella)
Wright E B (Maggie)
Wright W H (Amelia)
Yarborough A F (Florence)
Yarborough H T (Pink)
Yother E G (Mamie)
Young A M, gro
*Young J W (Cora)
Young Jas (Hattie)
Young Martha, wid Jno C
*Young Wm (Sarah)
*Young Willie D, music tchr
Zimmerman Frederick (Bertha)

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**Abbatoirs – 1**
Asheville Packing Co.

**Attorneys – 1**
J G Merriman

**Blacksmiths – 2**
Penland Bros.
JR Price (Haywood Rd.)

**Carpenters, Contractors, Builders – 7**
HJ Brown
JW Cowan
GW Duckett (Leicester Rd.)
JW Duckett (Hazel Mills Rd.)
JE Joyner & Son
GW Pinner
Oliver Smith*

**Cemeteries**

**Churches – 4 (Wilson Chapel?)**
AME Zion Church*
Balm Grove ME Church
Calvary Baptist Church
West Asheville ME Zion Church

**Dairies – 2**
Anandale Dairy Farm (Haywood Rd.)
Maple Leaf Dairy

**Dressmakers – 2**
Miss Mary Davis
Miss Minnie Miller (Brewer St.)

**Druggists – 1**
West End Cash Store

**Feed Dealers**

**Florists – 2**
DA Lashley
GT Myers (Haywood Rd.)

**Furniture Dealers – 1**

West Side Furniture Co. (Haywood Rd.)

**General Merchandise – 3**

AL Bright (Haywood Rd.)
Geo. Nuckles & Son
West End Cash Store

**Greenhouses – 1**

DA Lashley

**Grocers – 18**

Jno G Banks
JH Bradburn (Haywood Rd.)
AH Brooks (Haywood Rd.)
WR Carter (Haywood Rd.)
Mrs. HA Cornell (Haywood Rd.)
GW Fairchild (Haywood Rd.)
WP Ford & Sons
JA Henderson
JL Henderson
AC Jackson
E Mack
Ephraim Morrison (Haywood Rd.)
JH Nicholson (Haywood Rd.)
HJ Olive
Penland & Fore
WP Potts (Haywood Rd.)
Mrs. Addie Watts (Haywood Rd.)
AM Young (Asheville Ave)

**Meat Markets – 1**

AB Bishop
WP Ford & Sons

**Music Teachers – 2**

Miss AL Logan
Willie D Young*

**Nurse – 1**

Mrs. Hester A Brown
Miss Pearl E Gossett

**Painters – 1**

Joyner, CB

**Pastors – 6**

Rev. ZE Barnhardt
Rev. AE Brown
Rev. RG Caldwell*
Rev. JW Henderson
Rev. Sherrill Stikeleather
Rev. MM Wamboldt

**Physicians –**

Dr. JG Anderson
Dr. WC Brownson
Dr. PB Orr

**Poultry Farms – 2**

Miss Mollie Bradley
EP Weidler

**Restaurants – 1**

JH Monteath

**Schools & Academies – 4**

Asheville School
Bingham School
West Asheville Graded School
West Asheville Public School*

**Shoemakers – 1**

Jno Justice* (Patton Ave)

**Soda Water (Soft Drinks) – 5**

Frances Hill
Jas Hill
JC Penland
HT Price
AM Young

**Water Companies – 1**

Buckeye Waterworks

***42 African-American households listed out of 636 total**

Jobs held by African-American Heads-of-Household in West Asheville
**(from the 1914 City Directory)**

**Bricklayers – 3**

**Conley, George**
**Miller, Wm L***
**Miller, Thos***

**Carpenter – 1**

**Smith, Oliver****

**Cook – 1**

**Mackey, Susie**

**Domestic – 1**

**Lenoir, Martha*, *****

**Drivers – 3**

**Boyd, Benj*, **, *****
**Scott, Alonzo**
**Young, JW***

**Farmers – 2**

**Bradley, Jas****
**Williams, Jno***

**Inspr? – 1**

**Whiteside, DM*, **, *****

**Janitor – 1**

**Shepard, Wm**

**Laborers – 16**

**Barton, Major**
**Davis, Nathaniel***
**Dickey, Wm**
**Foreman, Wm**
**Gray, Jno*, *****
**Hunt, Butler**
**Jackson, Thomas**
**Jones, Reuben***
**Justice, Clarence**
**Lattimore, JH***
**Long, Monroe**
**Lowery, Jno**
**Lynch, JC**

McMickens, Thos
Smith, Jno
Wilson, Saml*

**Laundresses – 4**

King, Martha*
Mackey (Mackay), Mariah
Mitchell, Hattie*
Thomas, Rachel

**Lugger – 1**

Lincoln, JP**

**Music Teacher – 1**

Young, Willie D

**Pastor – 2**

Caldwell, Rev GH
Henderson, Rev Jas W

**Porter – 1**

Bason, Wm (Glen Rock Hotel)

**Principal – 1**

Bradley, Jno* (West Asheville Public School)

**Shoemaker – 1**

Justice, Jno*, **, ***

**Truant Officer – 1**

Wills, Rufus

* Resided in West Asheville in 1910, according to 1910 City Directory
** Resided in West Asheville in 1905, according to City Directory
*** Resided in West Asheville in 1900, according to City Directory

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# History of Western North Carolina - Chapter XXI - Notable Resorts and Improvements


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CHAPTER XXI
Notable Resorts and Improvements

**ASHEVILLE SULPHUR SPRINGS.** On the last day of February 1827, Robert Henry and his slave Sam discovered this spring five **miles** west of **Asheville**, and about the year 1830 his son-in-law, Col. Reuben Deaver, built a wooden hotel on the hill above and began taking summer boarders. Such was the patronage that an addition had to be made to the hotel every year. As many as five hundred are said to have been there at one time, and the neighborhood was ransacked for beds, bedding, chairs, and provisions. Most of the visitors came from South Carolina, among whom were the Pinckneys, Elmores, Butlers, Pickenses, Prestons, Alstons, Kerrisons, and others. Mr. John Keitt was the first person buried on **Sulphur Springs** hill, August 27, 1836.19 The fact that the Pinckneys were almost constant visitors accounts for the prevalence of the given name Pink in the neighborhood of **Asheville**. The Aistons reserved the corner rooms on the second floor from May till frost every season. Besides the hotel, an L-shaped building, there were cabins on the grounds. There were bowling alleys, billiard tables, shuffle-boards and other games. A large ball-room and a string band, composed of free negroes from Charleston and Columbia, provided the music for dancing. One of these negroes was named Randall, who had been presented with a purse of $5,000 by the white peop1e of South Carolina for having given information about a contemplated negro insurrection at Charleston;[20] and another of these musicians was named Lapitude, who owned a tation near Charleston and forty slaves. He was a man of some education, and the manner of a Chesterfield. 21 From its opening till 1860 there were more summer visitors at Deaver's **Springs** than in **Asheville**. Col. James M. Ray gives us this picture of **Asheville** sixty years ago: "Well, what of **Asheville** in these long past years? It was about like Leicester or Marshall-a very small village on the 'turnpike,' midway between the two Greenvilles. The two 'hotels', Eagle and Buck, even many years later, not doing near the business of many of the country inns or stock stands on the Warm **Springs** road. For anyone to stop at either of these two hotels longer than for dinner or for the night was not thought of; though a few summer visitors would sometimes make a short stop in passing through to Deaver's **Springs** or to Warm **Springs**, Wade Hampton and others with fast teams driving from **Asheville** to Warm **Springs** for dinner."[22] The old hotel was burned in December, 1862, was rebuilt by E. G. Carrier-of brick this time-in 1887, and known, first as Carrier's **Springs** and then as The Belmont. It was again burned in September, 1891, while under the management of Dr. Carl Von Ruck. From 1889 till 1894 an electric railway ran from **Asheville** to the spring, but it was abandoned.

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WEST **ASHEVILLE**. In 1885 Mr. Edwin G. Carrier and family moved to **Asheville** from Michigan. He soon afterwards bought several hundred acres of land west of the French Broad river, including the **Sulphur Springs** and the J. P. Gaston tracts of land. In 1887 he built a large brick hotel on the site of the wooden structure that was burned during the Civil War, and soon thereafter, 1891, constructed an electric railway from **Asheville** to **Sulphur Springs**, crossing the French Broad river near the mouth of the Swannanoa on a fine steel bridge. This railway first ran ouly to the passenger station; but, on October 13, 1891, it was granted a franchise by the **city** to extend its line through Depot street, Bartlett street and French Broad avenue to the corner of West College and North Main streets. It stopped, however, at what is now the corner of Haywood street and Battery Park Place, then called Government street. It was called the West **Asheville** and **Sulphur Springs** Railway Company.

A race track was established just south of Strawberry Hill and between the **Sulphur Springs** railway and French Broad river. A grand-stand was erected and a high fence built around the race track. There were several exciting races all of which were well attended.

## W. ASHEVILLE BOARD GETS REPORT TONIGHT

At the meeting tonight of the board of aldermen of West Asheville Charles E. Waddell, who was awarded the contract for making the survey of the town preparatory to the awarding of the contract for the construction of the water and sewer systems, will make his complete report. Last Tuesday night Mr. Waddell made a part of the report and stated that he would present the remainder at the meeting tonight.

Several matters of interest to the people of the town will be taken up tonight, including ordinances and street matters.

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# REPORT OF SURVEYS HAS NOT BEEN MADE

## Delays Taken in Other Matters By West Asheville Board— Routine Business.

Several matters of interest were taken up by the board of aldermen of West Asheville at the regular meeting held last night. The complete report of Charles E. Waddell of the surveys of the town was not made, although Alderman E. B. Atkinson stated that the report had been completed and will be submitted at an early meeting.

A report was made by the committee recently appointed to secure definite propositions from the board of aldermen of Asheville in regard to the water to be supplied to West Asheville, but it was stated that the committee thought best at this time not to make the report public as several minor matters in connection with the propositions needed to be worked out.

The board appointed a committee to investigate the sanitary conditions of the town and to report at an early meeting. It was stated that certain sanitary matters need attention at once. Several other matters of a minor nature weer taken up and the session lasted for sometime.

**Asheville Gazette-News April 15, 1914**

# FOUR WITNESSES EXAMINED AT INQUEST; AUTOPSY CONDUCTED

## No New Developments Brought Out in Connection With Shooting of Frank Hugill—Hard Fought Legal Battle Indicated.

Evidence introduced at yesterday's inquest over the body of Frank B. Hugill, who died Sunday night at the Meriwether hospital as the result of a wound inflicted by Alex H. Brooks, brought out practically no new developments although the hearing served to indicate that the case will be one of the hardest fought legal battles in the history of Buncombe county criminal courts. Friends and relatives of the deceased have engaged Wells, Swain and Campbell and Judge Thomas A. Jones to assist the solicitor in the prosecution of the defendant while the interests of Brooks are being looked after by J. Scroop Styles, Mark W. Brown and Thomas S. Rollins. The coroner's verdict was to the effect that the deceased met his death as the result of a gun shot wound inflicted by Brooks, the verdict being signed by the following members of the jury: A. L. Duckett, W. P. Henderson, Leroy Ball, X. B. Lange, William Francis and B. L. Lyda.

The inquest was held at the chapel of Noland, Brown and company, on Church street, and every seat in the chapel was taken. The case has aroused keen interest both in West Asheville and in this city and the testimony of the witnesses yesterday was heard with deep interest by those who attended. The father of the deceased was at the hearing and gave close attention to the statements of the witnesses whose testimony was heard regarding the shooting. Contrary to expectations, but few witnesses were examined, the testimony of four being heard. Three of these told of the scene immediately before and following the shooting while the other's evidence was in connection with the range and effect of the bullet. None of the witnesses could give an extended account of the alleged trouble which preceded the firing of the pistol and no reference was made to the alleged quarrel between the son of the prisoner and the brother of the deceased.

### Dr. Gardner Heard.

Dr. G. D. Gardner, of the West Asheville aldermanic board, was the first witness who took the stand and he told of going to the store of Mayor A. L. Bright Wednesday afternoon at 6:30 o'clock to see Mayor Bright with reference to alleged violations of the [illegible] his remarks were. "I know nothing about what caused the trouble. When the bullet was fired, Frank was standing at the back of the fender of my machine on the left side."

### Mayor Bright.

Mayor Bright's testimony was to the effect that he was standing at the lower end of the porch surrounding his store when Dr. Gardner drove up. "He motioned for me to come out," the mayor swore, "and I went to the machine. We were having a talk regarding a man who had been speeding and we hadn't spoken a dozen words before I heard a shot. I looked around and saw Mr. Brooks coming toward the machine holding his pistol above his head with both hands. He fired again and Frank, who was standing on the lower end of the porch, fell. He aimed at Mr. Hugill before firing and Mr. Hugill said, 'What are you shooting at me for? I have done nothing to you.' Hardly before he had finished he fell. We all ran to grab Brooks but others had him. I didn't know there was any trouble between them."

G. W. Fairchild swore that he saw Brooks fire in the store before the shooting which resulted in the death of the deceased. "He jumped out of the door then and Hugill came out of the other door about the same time. Just as the pistol fired the second time—the first shot outside the store, however—Mr. Hugill threw up his left hand and said: 'Don't shoot me.' But Mr. Brooks fired just at that time. I saw Mr. Hugill sink down and I grabbed Mr. Brooks about the body. Someone else ran to help me. I heard Frank say, 'What did you shoot me for?' Brooks replied: 'I thought I had to.'"

### Autopsy Held.

Dr. M. H. Fletcher's testimony was as to the course of the bullet, his evidence tending to show that as the deceased threw up his left arm, the bullet entered his side under the arm, going downward and backward through the left lung and severing the spinal cord. The bullet was located the length of the bullet to the right of the spinal column. An autopsy was conducted immediately following the inquest by Coroner E. R. Morris and Dr. Fletcher and the bullet was located.

The finding of the coroner's jury

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Dr. G. D. Gardner, of the West Asheville aldermanic board, was the first witness who took the stand and he told of going to the store of Mayor A. L. Bright Wednesday afternoon at 6:30 o'clock to see Mayor Bright with reference to alleged violations of the speed laws. Driving up in front of the store, he saw the deceased, he swore, and pretended that he was going to run over him with his automobile, bringing the machine to a stop within a few inches of Hugill. The latter, usually jocular, the physician swore, made no comment and Dr. Gardner testified that he noticed at the time that the deceased did not appear to enjoy the joke. "I motioned for Mr. Bright to come to the machine," Dr. Gardner swore, "and he came out to the automobile. I started to ask him something and pulled a piece of paper from my pocket to question him about a fellow who had been speeding on the day before. As I leaned from the machine to ask him about it, I heard a shot. It sounded as if it had been fired in the store. In two or three seconds Mr. Brooks came out of the upper door of the store, holding his pistol above his head, grasping it with his right hand and steadying it with his left hand. There were six, eight or ten people in the crowd and running through the throng, Brooks came toward my machine. He said something but I don't know what it was as I was excited at the time Frank said 'Don't shoot me—I've done nothing to you.' Just as he said it, he fell wounded. I was looking at the pistol at the time it was fired and I ran to Brooks, while Frank fell under the machine. When I got to Brooks some of the members of the crowd were holding him. Mr. Brooks said he was sorry he shot, or words to that effect. I don't recall just exactly what on the lower end of the porch, fell. He aimed at Mr. Hugill before firing and Mr. Hugill said, 'What are you shooting at me for? I have done nothing to you.' Hardly before he had finished he fell. We all ran to grab Brooks but others had him. I didn't know there was any trouble between them."

G. W. Fairchild swore that he saw Brooks fire in the store before the shooting which resulted in the death of the deceased. "He jumped out of the door then and Hugill came out of the other door about the same time. Just as the pistol fired the second time—the first shot outside the store, however—Mr. Hugill threw up his left hand and said: 'Don't shoot me.' But Mr. Brooks fired just at that time. I saw Mr. Hugill sink down and I grabbed Mr. Brooks about the body. Someone else ran to help me. I heard Frank say, 'What did you shoot me for?' Brooks replied: 'I thought I had to.'

**Autopsy Held.**

Dr. M. H. Fletcher's testimony was as to the course of the bullet, his evidence tending to show that as the deceased threw up his left arm, the bullet entered his side under the arm, going downward and backward through the left lung and severing the spinal cord. The bullet was located the length of the bullet to the right of the spinal column. An autopsy was conducted immediately following the inquest by Coroner E. R. Morris and Dr. Fletcher and the bullet was located.

The finding of the coroner's jury that the deceased came to his death at the hands of Brooks will eliminate the necessity for a preliminary hearing, according to the statements of attorneys.

The funeral service of the deceased will be held at Balm Grove Methodist church tomorrow afternoon at 2 o'clock and it will be in charge of the Masonic order, the Masons taking charge of the body at the church. From the home to the church the following, who were boyhood friends and Sunday school mates of the deceased, will act as pall bearers: Edward Wright, Carlisle and Hugh Miller, Blake Reynolds, Allen Mitchell and C. B. Joyner. N. M. Anderson, William Farr and H. W. Plummer will be the honorary pall bearers. The members of the West Asheville lodge, No. 211, Knights of Pythias, will attend the funeral in a body as will the mayor and the board of aldermen of West Asheville. The deceased having been electrical inspector of that town. The members of the local electricians' union will go to the funeral in a body. The interment will take place at Riverside cemetery.

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# WILL SIGN CONTRACT FOR ASHEVILLE WATER

The regular meeting of the board of aldermen of West Asheville, held last night, was very short and very little of interest was taken up by the aldermanic body. The members discussed the matter of signing the contract with the city of Asheville for the water supply for the town and instructions were issued for the attorney for the aldermen to confer at once with the city attorney of Asheville relative to the drawing up of the contracts. The meter to be used at the connection at the French Broad river was ordered and will be installed as soon as it arrives.

C. S. Nichols was awarded the contract for hauling all the trash and garbage from the town and will begin work at once.

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THE ASHEVILLE GAZETTE-NEWS

# WEST ASHEVILLE GETS A LOW RATE

## Suburban City Will Get Asheville Water at Seven and a Half Cents, Thousand

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The town of West Asheville has already ordered the large meter that will be used at the conection which will be made at the French Broad river with the Asheville water system. The meter, which cost about $600, is expected to arrive any day now and will be installed upon its arrival in order to test it out.

The contractor who received the contract for the construction of the system already has a large amount of material on the ground in West Asheville, and it is expected that upon his return this week from South Carolina he will begin the actual construction of the system.

The board of aldermen of West Asheville will meet tonight in regular session, but it is stated that nothing of importance is scheduled to come before the aldermanic body.

**Asheville Gazette-News June 9, 1914**

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# HAYWOOD ROAD TO BE WIDENED TO 60 FEET

## W. Asheville Main Thoroughfare Will be of Regular City Width.

Very few matters of importance were taken up by the board of aldermen of West Asheville at the regular meeting held last night with all members present. A sanitary ordinance pertaining to the placing of trash and refuse on the public streets was passed and several matters of a minor nature, together with the usual routine business, were transacted.

The matter of widening Haywood road, the main street of the town, is one of the most important matters decided by the board recently. The street will be widened from Carter's store to the end of the line, making it a 60-foot street, which means that the street will be 20 feet wider than it is now, all the length from the points named. This will be a great improvement to West Asheville as it will mean a street of modern city width by which the standard will be set for building other streets in the town.

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# COMMISSION CLOSES WEST ASHEVILLE CASE

## J. G. Merrimon and E. B. Atkinson Are Only Witnesses Against Buckeye Co.

No final action was taken by the members of the corporation commission, which met in this city yesterday to hear the complaints filed by J .G. Merrimon and E. B. Atkinson against the Buckeye Water company of West Asheville. The afternoon session of the commission, which was held at the Battery Park hotel, was very brief and only two witnesses appeared, Mr. Merrimon and Mr. Atkinson.

It was stated that the principal grievance put forward by these gentlemen against the water company was because the company failed to supply water last summer.

The members of the commission returned to Raleigh last night and it is expected that they will give out a ruling shortly.

**Asheville Gazette-News June 25, 1914**

# WEST ASHEVILLE HAS ITS BUSIEST COURT

**Four Alleged Retailers are Bound to Superior Court—Fine Assessed in Disorderly Case.**

Yesterday was the busiest day in the court of Mayor A. L. Bright, of West Asheville since that place was incorporated. The mayor sitting as a magistrate tried five cases yesterday morning, finding all the defendants guilty and binding four of them to the next criminal court of the September court. The cases were called for hearing as the result of arrests made the day before.

Rosy Fairchild, charged with disorderly conduct, was fined $1 and the costs of the action, while Julia Mack, Jim Ramsay, Roxie Mace and Ebe Mack were all bound to the next criminal term of the Superior court to answer charges of retailing intoxicating liquors. Bond was arranged for each of the defendants in the sum of $100.

It is stated that retailers in West Asheville have become numerous recently and the efforts of the newly appointed chief of police will be directed to break up this practice. Following the arrests Tuesday afternoon the defendants were all allowed to make bond for their appearance before the mayor yesterday morning at 9 o'clock. R. S. McCall was the attorney for all of the defendants in the liquor cases.

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THE ASHEVILLE CITIZEN, MONDAY JULY 6, 1914.

# LITTLE CHILDREN HAD A NARROW ESCAPE

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Two small children of Constable and Mrs. C. B. Joyner had a narrow escape from death at an early hour yesterday morning when fire completely destroyed their home at West Asheville, netailing a loss of about $1,400 with no insurance. The house was situated about 200 yards from the waiting room of the Asheville Power and Light company which was partially destroyed early Saturday morning at about the same hour that the flames were discovered at Mr. Joyner's residence. No idea is entertained as to the origin of either blaze. The loss resulting from yesterday's fire included $900 on the house and $500 on the furniture. A portion of the household goods were saved.

Mr. and Mrs. Joyner and four small children were in the house at the time the fire was discovered by Mr. Joyner. He was awakened by smoke and immediately took Mrs. Joyner and the children from the house. He fired his pistol several times to warn the neighbors of the fire and returning to the place at which the blaze was discovered to put water on it, he was followed by his three-year-old son. He stumbled across the little fellow in the dining room and before he could take the child from the house the boy had been overcome by smoke. Outside the building, it was found that another child was missing and he, too, was found to have returned to the building and was suffering from smoke. It is thought the boys were dazed by smoke in leaving the house and did not realize they were returning to the flames when they entered the building again.

When the fire was discovered scores of residents of West Asheville gathered at the house in the hope of saving the building but the fire had gained such headway when discovered that they could do but little in the way of saving the building with their buckets. However, some of the furniture was saved and immediately following the blaze a collection was taken among the residents of the town for a fund to be used in rebuilding the residence. The sum of $200 was realized and this amount will be of great aid in the construction of another building.

**Asheville Citizen July 6, 1914**

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Several hundred feet on the main car line

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# CHARGE OF ARSON IS PREFERRED AGAINST WELL KNOWN NEGROES

## Their Attorney Declares Former Pastor Started Movement Looking to Their Arrest—Alex Brooks Will Be Tried Here Monday.

The returning of true bills, charging arson, against nine of the best-known negroes of the A. M. E. church in this state, seven of whom reside at Asheville, and the refusal of Judge E. B. Cline to allow the case charging Alex H. Brooks with the killing of Frank Hugill to be moved to another county, were features of yesterday's sessions of the Buncombe county Superior court for the trial of criminal cases, which convened at Asheville Monday morning for a term of two weeks. Considerable interest centered in the case charging Ed Williams and Buddie Derumpley with housebreaking, both defendants being adjudged guilty and drawing heavy road terms.

The negroes against whom the grand jury returned true bills were: Bishop C. R. Harris, of Salisbury, of the Second Episcopal district, comprising the Blue Ridge, Albemarle and Southeastern Virginia conferences; W. J. Trent, of Atlanta, formerly general secretary of the local Y. M. I.; Noah Murrough, W. P. Pegram, Elijah McDowell, W. P. Brooks, Dr. J. W. Walker, Parker Johnson and Caleb Martin, of Asheville. Warrants were ordered issued for the arrest of Trent and Bishop Harris, while the other defendants gave bond in the sum of $500 to guarantee their appearance at the next term of the criminal court of this county. The cases were continued until the September term at the request of the state.

### Follows Investigation.

The returning of the true bills by the grand jury follows an investigation covering a period of several months conducted by Deputy Insurance Commissioner Frank Jordan, of Asheville. The allegations upon which the warrants were drawn are to the effect that the defendants were instrumental in the burning of the Hopkins Chapel, A. M. E. Zion church, which was destroyed by fire about four years ago and upon whose site has risen one of the city's handsomest colored church buildings. It is charged that the old building, insured for $2,000, was condemned by the city building inspector and was ordered raked; that within a short time after the inspector gave these orders, additional insurance to the amount of $8,000 was secured on the building, that about two months after the additional policies were secured a fish fry was held at the church building, following which the building was destroyed by fire, a report being given out to the effect that the flames started from the stove in use at the gathering; that all of the insurance was collected and the money was used in the construction of the new building. By adding to the amount collected from the insurance companies, the trustees were enabled to build a church building valued at about $15,000, which is now in use as a house of worship.

### Holland Prosecutor.

An interesting development of the case arose yesterday afternoon, when Magie W. Brown, engaged as attorney by the defendants in the case, asked that an order be issued by the court demanding that Rev. W. J. Holland, colored, show cause why he should not be made prosecutor in the case. It was ordered that the name of Holland be entered as prosecutor. Following the court session, Mr. Brown stated that he took that action by reason of his belief that Holland inspired the charges and has been active in working up a case against the defendants. He stated that Holland occupied the pulpit of the church for sometime; that he was discharged as pastor on the grounds that he had been guilty of immoral conduct; that he refused to move his family from the parsonage and that it was necessary for the trustees of the church to resort to legal procedure to have the house vacated; that Holland made the threat at that time that he "would get even"; that he is also the defendant in a case in the Superior court charging him with immoral conduct and that the trustees of the church had him discharged as pastor after they had learned that he was charged with conduct unbecoming a minister. Mr. Brown stated that the defendants will show that Holland and a companion have been at work for several weeks past in an effort to have the arson charge preferred against the defendants.

All of the local negroes against whom true bills have been returned are connected with the church, the majority of them being members of the board of trustees. Johnson was janitor at the time that the building was destroyed. Each of the negroes residing here takes an active part in the business and professional life of the city in colored circles, and not in years has such a sensation developed [illegible] as that which followed the returning of the true bills. Trent formerly was general secretary of the local Y. M. I. and was instrumental in putting that organization on a strong financial basis. He left here about three years ago to become general secretary of the colored Y. M. C. A. of Atlanta, one of the largest institutions of the kind in the United States.

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# MURPHY BRANCH STOPS WILL BE ELIMINATED

Announcement was made at the office of Division Passenger Agent James H. Wood, of the Southern Railway company, yesterday to the effect that with the establishment of passenger trains No. 31 and No. 32 on the Murphy division, local stops of trains No. 19 and No. 20 between Asheville and Waynesville will be eliminated with the exception that the trains will make regular stops at Harmony, Canton and Clyde with a flag stop at Junaluska. However stops will be made to receive passengers for points west of Bryson and to take off express packages.

Under the new arrangement, train No. 19 will get to Murphy at 10:40 p. m., fifteen minutes earlier than at

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# A STATEMENT

## By Wm. Johnston, Jr., relative to the sale of ROYAL PARK LOTS in West Asheville. (see advertisement)

In view of practices that sometimes pertain at land auctions, and of prevailing impressions regarding such sales, I wish to make a plain statement about the proposed sale of ROYAL PARK LOTS.

Doubtless you have attended land auctions in the past. Perhaps you now view them with mistrust. Probably you have been a bidder and have thought that "sharp" schemes were used to raise the price on you. Perhaps you have heard of "by-bidders," of "cries in the air," of imaginary buyers and other questionable expedients.

I want to assure you that such a thing shall not pertain at the sale of ROYAL PARK LOTS. That it will be different from any sale you have seen. That it will be full of interest and exciting moments—yet free from trickery and efforts to rush you.

I have employed Mr. W. J. Willingham to conduct this sale, because I believe him to be a man of honor and integrity. I have investigated him, and have gotten good reports as to his character and standing.

It is a definite part of our contract that everything in connection with the ROYAL PARK SALE shall be fair and square. There will be no "by-bidding," no false cries, nothing to artificially inflate values. If you attend this sale you will quickly decide that it is "on the level," and that Mr. Willingham is a man of his word, does what he promises and makes things interesting. If you favor him with a bid it will be appreciated, and you will bid against legitimate competition and none other. If you get a lot you will have the satisfaction of knowing that no unfair scheme was used to raise the price on you, and that the previous bidder would be glad to take it at practically your figure. You will not be rushed, worried, or tired out.

Attend ROYAL PARK SALE. See Mr. Willingham. Study his methods and straight forward ways. Then you will know for yourself that this sale is fair to all, and that the bidder gets a square deal.

WM. JOHNSTON, JR.

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# BROOKS' TRIAL WILL BEGIN THIS MORNING

## DEFENDANT WILL BE TRIED ON CAPITAL CHARGE.

### Bitter Legal Battle is Expected—Self Defense Probably Will Be Brooks' Plea.

Alex H. Brooks, well known West Asheville merchant and real estate dealer, will be placed on trial for his life at this morning's session of the Buncombe county superior court for the trial of criminal cases, to answer to a charge of murder in the first degree. He is charged with slaying Frank B. Hugill on the night of May 9, since which time he has been held without bail at the Buncombe county jail. The deceased was an electrician in the employment of the Piedmont Electric company, was the city electrician of the town of West Asheville and was prominent in fraternal circles. Not in years has a case aroused as much interest among the people of the neighboring town as the death of Hugill and the progress of the trial will be followed with keen interest by the friends of the defendant and the deceased.

Both sides are represented by strong legal talent and preparations have been completed for the trial of the case. The state won in the first legal battle, Judge E. B. Cline, who is presiding at the present term of the court, overruling the motion of the defense to have the case moved to another county for trial on the ground that the defendant can not get a fair trial in Buncombe county. Judge Cline held that there is no reason for the contention that the public mind is inflamed against Brooks and announcement was made last week that the trial of Brooks will be started at this morning's session of the court. Hugill will be defended by Mark W. Brown, Martin, Rollins and Wright and J. Scroop Styles while Walls, Swain and Campbell and Jones and Williams have been engaged to assist Solicitor Robert R. Reynolds in the prosecution of the defendant. Both sides appear to be confident and the legal battle promises to be a bitter one.

**Many Witnesses.**

Many witnesses have been summoned to appear at the hearing to testify as to the incidents leading up to the shooting and the manner in which the alleged murder was committed. Judge Joner stated in court last week that the indications are that the hearing of the case will consume three or four days. No application has been made for the release of Brooks on bail nor was a preliminary hearing held the verdict of the coroner's jury to the effect that the deceased came to his death at the hands of the defendant eliminating the necessity for such a hearing. A statement by Mr. Styles made on the night of the shooting was to the effect that the shooting was committed in self-defense and he remarked that Brooks will ask for acquittal on that ground. The state, on the other hand, maintains that the killing was premeditated and was committed in cold blood and will seek a death sentence.

The shooting occurred at the store of Mayor A. L. Bright, at West Asheville, as a crowd was gathering for the hearing of a case in the court of the mayor charging the son of the defendant. Clarke Brooks, and the brother of the deceased, Homer Hugill, with assault. The two young men, it is reported, had been playing in a game of baseball on the Saturday before the tragedy and Brooks was struck by a ball thrown by Hugill. After the game, warrants are reported to have been drawn for the arrest of the two young men. It is stated that considerable feeling had been aroused in the case and that the friends of both men were gathering for the trial. Before the magistrate began the taking of evidence Brooks is said to have begun shooting and charges have been made to the effect that before the defendant shot the deceased, he fired shots at Homer Hugill and Ray Fairchild. Neither of these men was struck, however, although Frank Hugill was hit as he stood just outside of the store of Mayor Bright, near the automobile of Dr. G. D. Gardner.

**Taken to Hospital.**

Immediately following the shooting, Hugill was taken to the Merriwether hospital where he died Sunday, May 9. Brooks made no effort to get away after the tragedy, surrendering to officers and being taken to jail immediately.

The coroner's inquest was held on the morning of Monday, May 10, when four witnesses were examined: Dr. M. H. Fletcher, Dr. G. D. Gardner, Mayor A. L. Bright and G. W. Fairchild. Dr. Fletcher told of the range and effect of the bullet while the evidence of the other witnesses dealt with the scene of the shooting, the circumstances leading up to the killing and the happenings immediately following the alleged murder. The coroner's verdict was rendered by the following members of the jury: William Francis, X. B. Lange, W. P. Henderson, A. L. Duckett, Leroy Ball and B. L. Lyda.

A special venire was drawn at last week's term of the superior court and everything is in readiness for the beginning of the trial today.

# ANNUAL REPORT OF THE LINDLEY SCHOOL

## BEING DISTRIBUTED AMONG THE FRIENDS OF INSTITUTION.

### Twelve Unfortunate Girls Were Received at the Home During the Past Year.

The annual report of the Lindley training school has just come from the press and shows that this unique institution did a great deal of work from April 30, 1913, to April 30, 1914. The report is printed in booklet form and is being distributed among the friends of the home. The report of the matron shows that during the year just closed twelve unfortunate girls were received at the institution, six being there at the time of the last report. Seven of the young women at the training school have been returned to their homes during the past year.

The report of the president shows that since the foundation of the institution twenty years ago, seventy-five per cent of the unfortunate young women received at the school have seen the error of their ways and have been converted. In the death of George W. Vanderbilt, the report states, the home lost a true friend and benefactor. He and his mother contributed $3,000 to the purchase of property for the institution when the movement for such a home was started and since that time he had given $250 annually up to the time of his death.

Of great interest is the announcement that the Helen V. Tatum legacy of $2,000 was received during the past year, being given by the late Mrs. Tatum of New York. This sum will be kept as the nucleus of an endowment fund.

The president's report states that the ministers of the various churches have held religious services weekly and they have co-operated in making the past year a successful one.

The officers of the institution are: President emeritus, Mrs. A. A. Lord; president, Mrs. M. E. Hilliard; first vice president, Mrs. T. W. Patton; second vice president, Mrs. Paul Paquin; treasurer, Mrs. A. F. Rees; secretary, Mrs. S. E. Dilworth; assistant secretary, Mrs. S. P. Ravenel.

Mrs C. I. Montague is matron.

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# ROYAL PARK SALE IS GREAT SUCCESS

## Sale of West Asheville Real Estate Continues Daily At 5 O'Clock.

The sale of lots in Royal park, West Ashville, which started several days ago and will continue until all the lots are sold, is a great success. Yesterday afternoon, the sale beginning at 5 o'clock, more than 350 people attended and a large number of lots were sold. The number of people attending these sales is increasing and the lots are selling rapidly. The people purchasing lots in Royal park are from all sections of the country and many of the tourists now in the city are taking advantage of the sale to invest in Asheville real estate.

To date $4,400 worth of lots have been sold, and while this in itself seems a large amount, there are still a large number of lots to sell and the sale will continue until the last one is sold. In other words the sale will be a "continuance performance." Each day of the sale candy is given away to the people attending, the amount given away yesterday totalling 80 boxes of Nunnally's candies. Many ladies are attending the sale and several of them have purchased lots.

Royal park is on the car line in West Asheville and it is believed is destined to be one of the most prominent sections of the rapidly growing town. The sale of the lots is under the personal management of W. J. [illegible]ham, who has been conducting such sales for years.

**Asheville Gazette-News July 24, 1914**

# ALEX BROOKS FOUND GUILTY OF MURDER IN THE SECOND DEGREE

## Jury Recommends that Mercy Be Shown in Passing Sentence on Prisoner—Will Be Sentenced Today.—Other Cases Yesterday.

Alex H. Brooks yesterday was found guilty of murder in the second degree for the slaying of Frank H. Hugill, at West Asheville, last May, the jury recommending that the judge show mercy in passing sentence. Brooks probably will be sentenced at this morning's session of the Superior court for the trial of criminal cases. The penalty provided by law for murder in the second degree ranges from two years to thirty years; the naming of the length of servitude being left to the judge. While the law does not require that a presiding officer act upon the recommendation of the jury returning a verdict, as a rule Superior judges do consider the recommendations of the jurors and it is expected that Judge Cline today will take into consideration the recommendation of the twelve men who passed on the case charging Brooks with the killing of Hugill.

The jury returned its verdict yesterday morning at 11.30 o'clock after deliberating over the case several hours. It was learned yesterday that the first ballot of the twelve men resulted in a vote of two for murder in the first degree, nine for murder in the second degree and one for manslaughter. At no time during the deliberations, it is stated, did a juror vote to acquit the defendant. After considerable deliberation, the verdict, as rendered, was agreed upon and the foreman was instructed to deliver it to the court. A large crowd was in attendance upon the court session when the members of the jury returned to the court room. The defendant was surrounded by several relatives and friends, and relatives of the deceased were sitting near the attorneys who represented the state in the case just closed.

**Same Expression.**

The expression of the defendant did not change as he heard the words fall from the lips of the foreman. Brooks had hoped for acquittal on the ground of self-defense and the attorneys for the state and private prosecution had hoped just as strongly that a verdict of murder in the first degree would be returned. The returning of the verdict yesterday closed a hard fought case and one in which great interest has been shown by the people of Asheville and West Asheville. Hugill, an employe of the Piedmont Electric company and town electrician of West Asheville, was killed by the defendant last May and since that time the latter has been held at the Buncombe county jail without bail. He steadily refused to give out any statement in connection with the case before being placed on trial although one of his attorneys stated on the night of the tragedy that the prisoner would enter a plea of self-defense.

The deceased received his mortal wound at the store of Mayor A. L. Bright, of West Asheville, where a crowd had gathered for a trial in which the son of the prisoner, Clarke Brooks, and a brother of the deceased, Homer Hugill, were charged with assault. The alleged fight had followed a baseball game in which the two young men were participating on the Saturday before the tragedy and bad feeling between the prisoner and the deceased is said to have been caused as a result of the encounter between the young men. Gathering at the store for the trial, Brooks claimed that the father of the deceased cursed him and threatened to slap his face in the store of the mayor after the deceased had cursed him and abused him on the porch surrounding the place of business. The father and brother of the deceased, however, as well as the other witnesses introduced by the state, contended that Brooks had fired without reason and while the deceased with one of his hands uplifted begged that his life might be spared.

**Woman Pleads Guilty.**

Following the hearing of the verdict in the Brooks case yesterday, Louisa Williams pleaded guilty of perjury and W. T. Duncan, charged with the same offense, was adjudged not guilty after a trial which consumed the greater part of the day. Duncan was charged with offering false testimony at a recent trial of a civil action. The jury which acquitted him of the charge was out less than ten minutes.

A continuance by consent yesterday was granted in the case of A. B. Rish, up, charged with cruelty to animals. Similar action was taken in the case of Shelton, held on a charge of retailing.

Today will mark the close of the present term of the criminal court and doubtless will be featured by the hearing of several minor cases and the passing of sentence upon several prisoners who have been adjudged guilty of the commission of various crimes during the term which closes today, have not received their sentences and they will be arraigned before Judge Cline this morning. Deputies of the sheriff's department will leave during the early part of the approaching week for Raleigh to take the prisoners who have been sentenced to serve terms in the state's prison.

**Busy Term.**

The two weeks' criminal term has been a busy one and has been notable for the dispatch with which the business of the court has been transacted and the number of convictions secured. Upon his first appearance at Asheville Judge Cline expressed the intention of allowing no time to be wasted and he has conducted the business of the tribunal in such a manner that the cases have been disposed of with rapidity. He has urged upon the lawyers and witnesses the importance of being in court at the time for the hearing of their actions and no delay has been experienced either in the taking up of the cases or the disposition of them.

Much interest centers about the decision of Judge Cline today relative to the naming of bond for Charles Sorrels, the young business man who is being held at the Buncombe county prison on a charge of criminal assault. Attorneys for the defendant asked that their client be released under bond of $5,000 during the first week of the court and the state's attorneys fought the granting of bond bitterly. Judge Cline was furnished a record of the preliminary hearing and it is more than likely that he will announce his decision some time during today's session. It is stated that if he consents to release Sorrels on bail, the amount can be furnished readily by the defendant.

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THE ASHEVILLE GAZETTE-NEWS

# ADDITIONAL LINES FOR W. ASHEVILLE

## Likely That Water and Sewer System Will be Extended —The Town's Growth.

Additional sewer and water lines will doubtless be ordered for West Asheville at the meeting to be held tonight of the aldermanic body of that town, according to a statement made this morning by a member of the board. He stated that it was found the lines that had been contracted for would not cover the town as thoroughly as the board and the citizens wanted and they would take the matter up tonight of letting contracts for others.

The work on the lines that have been contracted for, which was started several weeks ago, is progressing nicely. One sewer line is almost complete now and the forces of workmen are now engaged in building the cofferdams in the French Broad river and laying the pipes across the river to connect with the Asheville water system. The large meter, which cost West Asheville about $500, has already arrived and will be installed on this side of the river. Just as soon as the connection is made, all of th. forces of men now employed on the construction of the systems will be concentrated on finishing the lines for sewer and water.

It is thought that, even with the additional lines to be built, the work of constructing the systems will be finished in about 60 days, at which time the residents of West Asheville are expecting to have one of the most modern and up-to-date water and sewer systems of any town in the state.

West Asheville continues to grow and almost every day contracts are let for store houses and residences to be erected in the town. Just now there are a large number of nice residences being built in the town and it is understood that several more will be started within the next few days.

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# ALEX BROOKS SENTENCED TO THE ROADS FOR A TERM OF SIX YEARS

## Attorneys for Defense and Prosecution Appeal to Judge Before Decision is Rendered—Criminal Term of Court Adjourns—Many Cases Tried.

Alex H. Brooks, convicted Friday morning in the Buncombe county Superior court for the trial of criminal cases of murder in the second degree by a jury which recommended that the judge be merciful in passing sentence, yesterday was sent to the county roads for a term of six years, the sentence being imposed by Judge E. B. Cline at the morning session of the court. The passing of sentence followed appeals by the attorneys who have represented the defendant during the trial for the minimum sentence, two years, and pleas by the lawyers employed by the state and private prosecution that the prisoner be given a more severe sentence for the crime of which he was adjudged guilty. Thomas S. Rollins, Judge Hezekiah Gudger, Mark W. Brown and J. Scroop Styles pleaded that a sentence of two years be imposed, the minimum sentence provided for murder in the second degree. They referred to the fact that the case was an aggravated one, the prisoner has a wife and eleven children, is in bad health and can do but little hard work and live. They declared that the jury had agreed that while he deserved punishment, he should not be severely punished, the recommendation for mercy showing that the twelve men who passed on the fate of the prisoner believed that he should be dealt with lightly. The attorneys dwelt upon the testimony of Brooks to the effect that he feared that his life was in danger and declared that he did not kill Frank B. Hugill until he believed that such action was necessary to save him from criminal violence.

### State Seeks Justice

Judge Thomas A. Jones, James J. Britt and Solicitor Robert R. Reynolds expressed sympathy for the defendant but declared that the state of North Carolina is seeking justice and not mercy. A young man was slain in the prime of his career, they stated, and a jury of twelve men found him guilty of the crime. The recommendation for mercy, it was declared, should not mean that the prisoner should be allowed to pay a penalty for the murder of a man by spending but two years in confinement. The attorneys for the prosecution pleaded that the judge give the prisoner a sentence which will show the people of this county that human life is not cheap. Brooks, they stated, by his own admission, carried a weapon in order that he might shoot the deceased if he felt that his life was in danger. He killed a man who was not armed and who had no intention of harming him, the attorneys for the state maintained, and should pay the penalty for his crime. The fact that Brooks has a wife and eleven children, they stated, was not considered by the defendant when he fired the shot that ended the life of Frank Hugill.

In passing sentence, Judge Cline stated that he has sympathy for the wife and children of the defendant and the fact that the responsibility of providing for the children must now fall upon the shoulders of this poor woman, he stated, makes it hard for him to sentence the prisoner. However, he said, he owes a duty to the little children of the county whose fathers obey the law. If the jury meant by its recommendation that Brooks should get the minimum sentence, the presiding officer remarked, he would dissent from the recommendation for the crime was one which should be punished with a sentence of greater length than two years. The presiding officer referred to the fact that Brooks carried a deadly weapon, in good order, when he went to the store of Mayor A. L. Bright on the night of the tragedy. He remarked that the evidence of Dr. G. D. Gardner showed that the deceased was making no effort to attack the prisoner and the judge took occasion to say that the evidence of Dr. Gardner was reliable.

### Road Term.

It was ordered that Brooks spend six years on the roads of Buncombe county, the attorneys for the defendant asking for a road term rather than a penitentiary sentence, stating that Brooks' physical condition is such that confinement at Raleigh would be disastrous. They asked that he be allowed to remain in the mountains of Western North Carolina. He will begin the serving of his sentence immediately, it is stated.

Brooks did not appear to be greatly affected by the sentence. Several relatives surrounded him as Judge Cline passed sentence and whispered to him as the judge ordered the clerk of the court to enter the verdict on the record.

Pink Gaston, colored, was arraigned formally and entered a plea of guilty of murder in the second degree. He was sentenced to serve a term of twelve years in the state's prison. The case charging James Hallback with retailing was continued until the next term of the criminal court.

Ardie Pinkins was adjudged not guilty of larceny and a similar verdict was returned in the case of Will Means, arraigned on a charge of housebreaking. A fine of $25 and costs was assessed in the case of Henry Newman who was found guilty of assault with a deadly weapon during the first week of the term. Prayer for judgment was continued in the case of Louise Williams who pleaded guilty to perjury at Friday's session of the court. Two sentences were reduced yesterday. Buddie Derumpley who originally was sentenced to serve a term of three years on the roads for housebreaking had his sentence reduced to two years and the same entry was made in the case of Ralph Ralston, sentenced to serve a similar length of time for forgery.

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# DR. GARDNER SHOT IN OFFICE SUNDAY

## Well Known West Asheville Physician Said to Be Seriously Hurt.

Dr. G. D. Gardner, residing in West Asheville, is at Meriwether hospital suffering from a pistol shot inflicted upon him in his office on Patton avenue, Sunday afternoon.

Miss Mary Davis, office girl for the wounded man, is said to have inflicted the wound accidentally. No arrests have been made. Dr. Gardner has made no statement. He is one of the best known physicians in the city.

Dr. E. B. Gleen is attending the injured man, who was shot in the lower edge of the right side of the abdomen.

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# WEST ASHEVILLE TO EXTEND ITS SEWERS

A great part of the time of the members of the board of aldermen of West Asheville was taken up last night with discussions in regard to the extension of the sewer lines for the town. While the matter was not definitely decided upon last night it is stated that it will be taken up again at the next meeting, when it is believed that some final action will be taken. The members decided that while they were in favor of extending the sewer lines it was thought best to wait and see how much money would be available before the final action to build additional sewers was made.

**Asheville Gazette-News August 12, 1914**

# DR. GARDNER TELLS HOW HE WAS HURT

## Pistol Was Not in Miss Davis' Hands and Had Not Been, He Says.

## REITERATES AFFAIR WAS PURELY ACCIDENT

## Asserts Weapon was Dislodged and Fell When Miss Davis Moved Book Behind It.

Dr. G. D. Gardner, who was wounded by a pistol shot in his office several days ago, accounts of which have appeared in this paper, and who recently left the hospital, has recovered to the extent of being able to resume his practice. Dr. Gardner was not wounded so seriously as the papers and people inferred, it seems. In fact, he states that the hurt was little more than a flesh wound.

Dr. Gardner said that he desired to correct certain details of the accounts that have been published concerning the affair. In the beginning, he said, he wished to reiterate that the shooting was purely accidental. It was reported, and the papers were so informed, that the weapon was in the hands of Miss Mary Davis, former stenographer, bookkeeper and office girl of Dr. Gardner, when it was discharged wounding him. Dr. Gardner states that the pistol was not actually in her hands when it exploded nor had it been.

"Miss Davis had worked for me about a year and a half," said Dr. Gardner, "but she had not been in my employ for the past few months. Several times she came to the office to use my typewriter and on several occasions had worked on my books.

"On the day I was hurt I came from the Mission hospital about 1 o'clock and found Miss Davis there. A gentleman who said he had been in the employ of the National Casket company came in almost immediately and was consulting me. I am sorry that I did not get his name.

"The pistol was on a shelf of my bookcase in front of some books where it had lain for months. Miss Davis had stopped writing and I asked her to hand me a certain book from the case. In pulling it from the shelf the pistol was dislodged and falling several inches on the hard surface of the writing leaf of the desk below exploded and the shot struck me. The gentleman was in the office still when the accident occurred.

"I am sorry that I did not get to give the papers a direct statement concerning the details of the occurrence at the time but my physicians ruled that I should not see anyone."

"As the accident actually occurred it will be seen that Miss Davis had very little to do with it, whereas by former accounts it was made to appear that the weapon was in her hands when it was fired."

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## SPECIAL POLICEMEN FOR WEST ASHEVILLE

At the meeting held last night of the board of alderlien of West Asheville the following special policemen were appointed: J. H. Sumner, G. W. Andrews, Ellis Cowan and T. J. Harrison. It was decided, by the board, to allow the men a per cent of the costs they collect in the cases tried and no salaries will be paid. All the cases are to be tried before Mayor A. L. Bright. No other matter, other than the regular routine work was brought before the board.

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# DEATH IS CAUSED BY HEAVY LIGHTNING BOLT

## Contractor's Foreman Cornell Meets His Death at West Asheville.

While seated under a tree, near Carrier's bridge in West Asheville yesterday afternoon, W. W. Cornell of Orangeburg, S. C., who had been foreman of construction work for J. C. Fairey, of Orangeburg, awarded the contract by the board of aldermen to construct the sewer and water systems for the town, was struck and instantly killed by lightning. A heavy rain had just come up and the workmen were compelled to stop work. The deceased, remarking that he would stop under the tree for a few moments until the rain was over, had hardly reached the tree when a terrific flash of lightning came and men under other trees saw him fall over. Rushing up it was found that he was killed at the moment the lightning struck him.

The deceased was 34 years of age and was a native of Harrisburg, Pa., to which place the body was shiped this morning from a local undertaking establishment.

Mr. Cornell had been in West Asheville several weeks, being associated with Contractor J. C. Fairey, who is constructing the water and sewer systems for the town and had charge of a crew of men since the work first started. He was very popular among the men and was well known in the contracting business.

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# LITTLE DAUGHTER IS RETURNED BY FATHER

## End of a Hard Fought Case Now Appears to Be in Sight.

E. C. Cole of West Asheville, has returned from the state of Washington, where he went several weeks ago to get his little daughter, Bettie Cole, who was alleged to have been kidnaped by her aunt, Mrs. Bettie Hutchinson and Miss Corrie Tinsley and Mr. Cole brought the little girl back with him, both being at the Cole home in West Asheville now.

This is perhaps the final chapter in one of the most noted and the hardest fought cases of the kind that has developed in this section in many years. Since the story that was first published in The Gazette-News several weeks ago, telling of the arrival in Washington state of Mr. Cole and his kidnaping the little girl from the yard of the house occupied by her aunts, many things have occurred that make the case more interesting. After leaving Aberdeen, Wash., with the little girl, Mr. Cole was taken from the train at Montenseno by officers, acting on information wired by the aunts. They were then taken back to Centralia for a hearing, which was held eight days later. Bond was made by Mr. Cole and he returned to Aberdeen, where habeas corpus proceedings were instituted by the aunts, which after having been postponed twice was finally heard and the father awarded the child. The aunts appealed to the Supreme court of Washington but when the time limit for the perfecting of the appeal had passed, the aunts decided not to fight the case any farther, it is stated and the child was turned over to its father and brought by him back to Asheville.

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40 Lots Easy Terms

# Greenwood Park

40 Lots Easy Terms

*West Asheville's Best Residence Section*

# AT AUCTION

## THURSDAY, SEPT. 3rd, 10:30 A.M.

**Our Proposition To Buyers**

We will plant on the front of each lot sold at this sale a number of large healthy Norway or Sugar Maples free of cost. We have the stock on the ground.

This is the Old Herren Place adjoining the Home Place of MR. ROBT. WELLS and every inch of it is fine for Residences. This is in a stone's throw of the Property presented by Messrs. Dunham and Wells to the City of West Asheville for its city hall and is right at the end of car line. Lots level with good view.

**Two Grand Souvenirs Given Away Free**

$45.00 Tailored Suit made by Logan, and One Gold Filled Watch.

Everybody gets free car tickets to sale.

## This Will Be West Asheville's Best Sale

Brass Band — Free Transportation

# SOUTHERN LAND AUCTION CO.

We Sell Lots and Lots of Lots — Commerce Building — 16 South Pack Square

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# WEST ASHEVILLE READY FOR THE SCHOOL OPENING

## High School to Begin New Term on Monday—Very Strong Faculty.

The West Asheville High school, which also includes all the graded school classes will start the fall term next Monday morning. It is expected that the attendance this year will be the largest in the history of the school. Everything is in readiness for the opening day and much interest has been taken by the patrons and the children in the opening of the school.

B. Robinson is principal of the school and he will be assisted this term by Misses Dixon, Kerr, Pickens, Jordan, Sams and Edwards and Mr. Edwards. Last year there was an enrollment of 625 pupils for this school with average daily attendance of about 500.

The Biltmore High school will also open on next Monday and it promises to be one of the best terms in many years. J. F. Edwards is principal of the Biltmore school and he will be assisted by U. C. Bradley, Misses Pearl Hunter, Bessie Morgan and Della Burnett.

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# FURTHER ARRESTS IN W. ASHEVILLE

## P. H. Thrash Says Sewer Trouble Is Far From Being Settled.

Although the evidence in the cases of the forty-three defendants arrested yesterday at noon on charges of trespassing on the property of J. M. Thrash in West Asheville, was heard yesterday afternoon, before Magistrate W. R. Gudger and he held his decision open until 6 o'clock this afternoon, additional warrants were issued today for the same parties, which includes Contractor J. C. Fairey who is putting in the sewer and water systems in West Asheville, A. H. Vanderhoff, assistant engineer in charge and the laborers employed on the job and it is thought that the arrests will be made this afternoon.

Mr. Thrash in a statement made at noon today says that the same force went to work again today and continued the operations on his property and further that he will have them arrested each day until they go on the property with legal rights or stop the operations.

Mr. Thrash had warrants issued yesterday at noon for Contractor Fairey and his assistants together with about forty workmen employed on the construction work in West Asheville and the men were brought before Magistrate H. L. Lyda, but on motion of the defense, represented by L. M. Gudger, where the evidence was heard and the decision held up until 6 o'clock this afternoon.

The arrests and the trials caused a great deal of interest in West Asheville and many Asheville people attended the hearings, which were held in the Police court room yesterday afternoon.

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# 40 RESIDENTIAL LOTS IN Greenwood Park
## WEST ASHEVILLE

Right at the End of Car Line, Adjoining the Residence of Mr. Bob Wells, will be Sold

## At Auction, Thursday, Sept. 3, 10:30 A. M.

This is Beautiful Level Property and commands a good view. Splendid neighborhood. The old sight of the Herren Nursery, and still has a large number of young trees and shrubs which will be donated to purchasers of Lots at the Auction Sale. FREE STREET CAR SERVICE. Concert by Brass Band.

GIVEN AWAY---A $45.00 LOGAN made Suit and Ladies' Gold Watch. Don't Miss It.

Your Last Chance to buy West Asheville Property at Your Own Price This Season.

# SOUTHERN LAND AUCTION CO.

We Sell Lots and Lots of Lots

16 South Pack Square


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# A NAVAL ENGAGEMENT

## Between a Japanese Cruiser and a German Dreadnaught on the French Broad River Near West Asheville, Tomorrow at 10:30 A. M.

Would cause a great deal of excitement, but we will guarantee there will be more people to cross the French Broad and attend the big sale of the Herren Property

## 40 LOTS—AT AUCTION—40 LOTS

## THURSDAY, AT 10:30 A. M.

Than would go to witness such a battle, if it were possible to have it.

THIS BEAUTIFUL TRACT, adjoining the home of Mr. Robert Wells and other prominent citizens of West Asheville, must be sold. We have named this tract

# GREENWOOD PARK

Brass Band Free Transportation

# SOUTHERN LAND AUCTION CO.

"We Sell Lots and Lots of Lots"


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# MORE TROUBLES AT W. ASHEVILLE

Happenings in what has come to be known as the West Asheville sewer case, are occurring thick and fast, the latest to happen being the arrest last night shortly before 11 o'clock of P. H. Thrash by Clayton Berghouse, foreman on the construction work and special officer of the town on charges of assault and resisting an officer. Mr. Thrash was tried before Magistrate A. L. Bright this morning and fined $5 and the costs in each case, he giving notice of appeal in each case.

This afternoon beginning at 3:30 o'clock the twenty-three men, including several of the bosses are being tried before Magistrate W. R. Gudger in the Police court room. These men were arrested yesterday afternoon on warrants charging them with trespassing on the property of J. M. Thrash in West Asheville. All of them were among those arrested last Monday and tried before Magistrate Gudger who found them guilty as charged. Notices of appeal were entered in each case.

It was stated at noon today by an officer and two members of the board of aldermen of West Asheville that a crew of men worked until 3 o'clock this morning in laying the sewers through the property of Mr. Thrash, finishing the job at that hour.

The arrest of Mr. Thrash last night followed when he went to the scene where the men were working and asked if they were going on with the work even after being arrested. It is stated that Foreman Berghouse arrested Mr. Thrash first for interfering with public work and then changed the charges to assault and resisting an officer. Mr. Thrash states that Mr. Berghouse not being a resident and voter of West Asheville cannot be legally sworn in as an officer of the town and that his arrest last night was not legal.

The final outcome of the cases now being tried will be awaited with interest by many.

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# SEWER TRIALS STOPPED MEETING OF "FATHERS"

No meeting was held last night by the board of aldermen of West Asheville, owing to the fact that several members of the aldermanic body attended the trials held yesterday afternoon before Magistrate W R. Gudger, at which the contractor and about forty workmen employed on the construction of the water and sewer systems were tried on charges of trespassing on the property of J. M. Thrash in West Asheville.

The regular weekly meeting of the board will be held tonight at the usual hour, when any business that may come before it will be transacted.

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# TROUBLE NOW OFF FOR TIME BEING

## Temporary Suspension of Hostilities Over Famous West Asheville Sewer Cases.

When the cases against the twenty-six defendants, arrested last Tuesday on charges of trespassing on the property of J. M. Thrash in West Asheville, were called before Magistrate W. R. Gudger in the Police court room yesterday afternoon, they were removed to the court of Magistrate J. A. McIntyre who will hear the same next Saturday afternoon at 4 o'clock.

Another phase of the case, which has attracted general attention during the week, happened last night when Magistrate W. R. Gudger appeared before the board of aldermen of West Asheville, in regular session and on the part of P. H. Thrash made a proposition to the aldermanic body that if they would build a water line in the street in front of Mr. Thrash's property in West Asheville and pay all the costs in the cases, that the matter would be dropped on the part of Mr. Thrash. The board did not pass upon this proposition and no time was set for rendering a decision in the matter.

It will be remembered that last Monday P. H. Thrash, acting for J. M. Thrash, had warrants taken out for the contractors, bosses and workmen, employed in constructing the sewer and water systems in West Asheville, charging them with trespassing on his property. Mr. Thrash claimed that a sewer line was being put through his property that would depreciate in value about 15 building lots he had. All of the defendants were tried before Magistrate Gudger and found guilty. Appeals were taken to Superior court and bonds totaling about $2,200 were made for the defendants by J. A. Porter. The next day the work of constructing the lines continuing, additional warrants were taken out and twenty-six of the men arrested again. Not to be stopped by the serving of the warrants the men worked Tuesday night and until 3 o'clock Wednesday morning at which time they finished the laying of the sewer through the Thrash property.

It is understood that no further action will be taken in the matter until the cases are passed on by Magistrate McIntyre next Saturday.

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# BINGHAM SCHOOL AGAIN OPENED FOR SEASON

## Enrollment at the Famous Old Institution Is Very Large This Year.

The formal opening of Bingham school took place yesterday and the enrollment of students is one of the largest in the history of this famous old school. Students are at the institution from practically all of the southern states and many eastern states, while one or two foreign countries are represented. It will be only a matter of a few days until the familiar grey uniforms of the cadets will be seen on the streets of Asheville again.

Captain Handy, a member of the faculty, will be temporary comman

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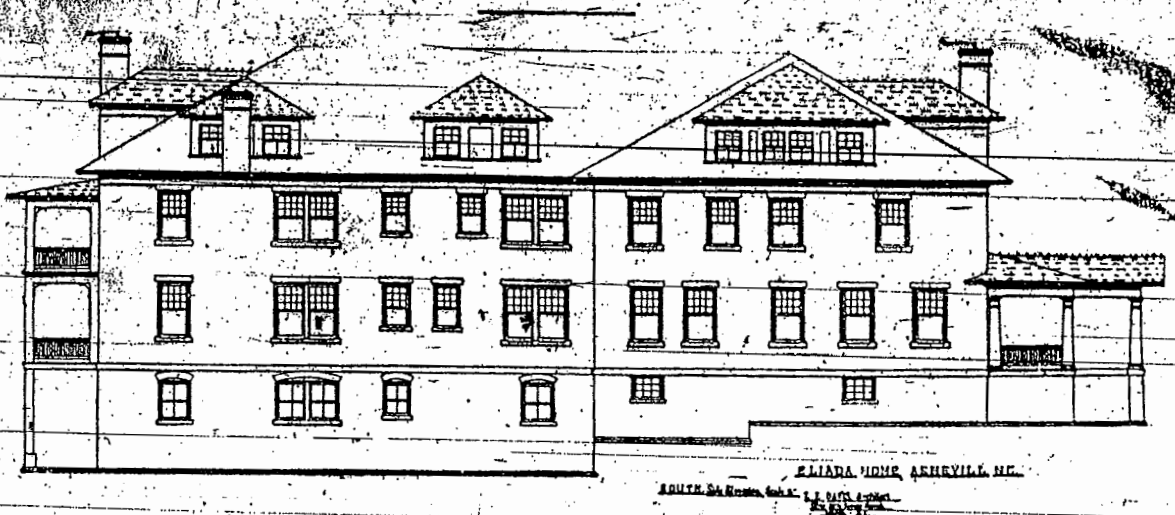
# One View of Proposed New Orphanage Building Planned for the Southern Rescue Work at Eliada



ELIADA HOME, ASHEVILLE, N.C.

There is an institution in this section, located about four and a half miles west of Asheville, known as the Eliada orphanage founded nine years ago by Rev. Lucius B. Compton, which is doing a work that perhaps is little known to the people in general, owing to the quiet and orderly way in which the workers are devoting themselves to their tasks.

The institution has grown to such an extent that it has become necessary to enlarge the quarters and now an undertaking is on foot for the erection of a $12,000 building, the plans and specifications of which have been drawn, the ground staked off and a large part of the material ordered. It is expected that the work will be started on the actual consruction of the building in the near future. All of the money raised for the building of the orphanage is from voluntary contributions.

Ulysses Lewis, a prominent attorney of Atlanta, who has become interested in the work being done by the orphanage has written an article for The Gazette-News, which in full follows:

A number of people from many states are teending this camp meeting which began August 28, and is to end Monday, September 7. Rev. Lucius B. Compton is the leader assisted by a corps of preachers and workers. The services are held under a large tent seating about 350, pitched near the Eliada Orphanage, which is on a hill at the foot of Dryman mountain, four and a half miles west of Asheville, on th Bear Creek road, about a mile from the county home.

About 100 visitors are fed three good meals a day in a large temporary dining room on the grounds without charge, all who can, being free to contribute to the expense. Mr. Compton takes the responsibility of all the expense of the camp which is considerable. There is a white village of twenty smaller tents in each of which from two to four sleep comfortably on cots, and some in the chapel.

The attendance on the day services is good, and at night the large tent is overflowed, the people of the neighborhood and from the city coming in large numbers. The preaching is able and the interest intense. Many come to the altar for help to get salvation and some to be sanctified. There have been many conversions—some every day, and the shout of new born souls is heard.

The preachers and workers assisting Mr. Compton are E. J. Richards of the Christian and Missionary Alliance of New York, W. H. Hedgens, evangelist of Rogers, Va., Winfred Cox, resident of Holiness university, Greensboro, Charles Donio of Providence, R. I., who speaks to the children and is called "Uncle Charlie," D. J. Fant, railroad engineer of Atlanta, Mrs. C. H. Vandersall of Perryberg, Ohio, who leads the singing, and many others, including Rev. S. M. Stickelgather of West Asheville who is assistant to Mr. Compton and fills a unique place in the management of the camp.

Mr. Compto is a remarkable man of God. He is about medium size, and is 39 years of age. He was born at Clyde in Haywood county; had only a few months of schooling and was a wild boy until he was converted while a young man. He has preached in most of the states east of the Rocky mountains and in Canada, and across the ocean in England and in Palestine. He is a man of great force and earnestness, and while he does not care for grammar nor rhetoric, grips his hearers with mental and spiritual power, and is a strong religious leader among men. He is affiliated with the Apostolic Holiness Association and with the Christian and Missionary Alliance.

Beginning about ten years ago with little or nothing but faith in God, he has established Faith Cottage Rescue home for wayward girls, located at 58 Atkinson street, Asheville, where several hundred girls have found shelter and help to a better life. It is said that sixty to seventy per cent of them have made good and are in homes leading useful and chaste lives. Miss Jeanette McGregor is in charge of that noble work.

He started Eliada orphanage nine years ago for destitute children. Now has a large building on the hill here, four and a half miles from Asheville and overlooking the city, giving a christian home and teaching now to thirty-five or forty little ones who are happy and call him "Father."

Both Faith Rescue home and Eliada orphanage have been chartered by law and are under a board of trustees. The orphanage stands upon a valuable tract of land containig one hundred and nine acres, about two-thirds of which are in cultivation, producing good crops of wheat, corn, potatoes, vegetables and fruits for the use of the orphanage. The girls assist in all the work of the home and the boys on the farm. There are five lady workers in the orphanage including the teacher. Both the Rescue home and orphange are supported by vplunlary offerings without solicitation and are increasing every year.

Mr. Compton has staked off the foundation for a new building to make needed room for the orphans. The new building to be for the girls, the boys to have the present building. The new building is to be of brick, three stories high, sixty by one hundred feet, and will cost $12,000, about $3000 of which is now on hand to begin with the balance to come from voluntary contributions. He has had to turn away many orphans because of the want of room for them. This new building is to be commenced at the close of this camp meeting.

Mr. Compton issues a small monthly paper called "The New Testament Christian," which circulates extensively, going into all parts of the United States and in other countries. Miss Hattie M. Byers is the business manager. Asheville and community are blessed with such a work in its environs, and the whole country by such a devoted man as Lucius B. Compton.

ULYSSES LEWIS.

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# NEGROES TO HOLD FAIR HERE IN THIS MONTH

## Soliciting Committee to Begin Work Soon—Speakers Are Engaged.

Editor of The Gazette-News:

The Colored Agriculture Annual fair is to be held in Pearson's park, West Asheville, September 21-24. Last year was the beginning. We opened with Col. John T. Patrick's troop of Old Plantation folks, from Southern Pines. The business white people of our city donated many valuable articles that were highly appreciated and were given away as prizes for exhibits and contests.

Our soliciting committees will call in a few days to receive any amount or article you may donate to help stimulate agricultural interest among the colored people of western North Carolina. Persons donating to the fair will please not deliver articles to any one except they present an order signed by E. W. Pearson, secretary and manager.

Monday, September 21, will be the opening and school day. All the city and suburban schools will join in a parade from their school to the post-office, at 11 a. m. We will take special cars for the fair grounds. The Y. M. I. brass band will furnish music. Send all articles to be exhibited to 24½ Eagle street, by September 21. Otherwise deliver it at the fair grounds. We expect articles from adjoining counties and we have received some already from Rutherford county.

Speakers are as follows: Prof. W. S. Lee, principal Catholic Hill city school; Rev. C. K. Brown, pastor of Berry Temple M. E. church, Rev. F. A. Harris, pastor First Baptist church; Prof. J. H. Michael, principal Hill Street school; master of ceremonies, J. S. Chambers.

Judges: T. C. Howell, J. W. Nipson, Kay Palmer, T. M. Elrod, Walter Rine, Zack Britten, George Payne, Walter Young, M. C. Long; ladies, Mrs. J. H. Michael, Mrs. Ivy M. Harris, Mrs. L. A. Goins, Mrs. W. M. Sigmon, Mrs. Mary L. Johnson, Miss Hattie Vance, Rev. D. D. Moore.

E. W. PEARSON,
Secretary and Manager.

Phone 1213.

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# WATER RATES FOR WEST ASHEVILLE

## Schedule to Be Cmarged Is Agreed Upon at Meeting Last Night.

Fixing the rates to be charged for water in West Asheville was the feature of the meeting held by the aldermanic body of that town, when they met in regular session last night. It was decided to charge a minimum rate of seventy-five cents for the first three thousand gallons of water used and after that a rate of twenty-five cents for each additional thousand gallons used. The rent of meters will be the same as charged in Asheville.

Announcement was made at the meeting that the water had been turned on as a test and could now be run through half of the town. It was also stated that both the sewer and water lines would be entirely completed in the next 30 days and ready for use by the residents of the town.

The progress on the lines has been fast, despite several little obstacles that had to be met by the contractors during the course of the work. The news that the lines are nearing completion will be gladly received by the residents of the town and just as soon as the two systems are ready for use the town will assume a more city-like appearance.

Several minor matters were also considered by the board last night, the session lasting for some time.

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# WEST ASHEVILLE BOARD HOLDS ITS MEETING

## Water and Sewer System Is Now Nearing Completion —Routine Business.

Announcement was made at the regular weekly meeting of the board of aldermen of West Asheville, held last night, that the water and sewer systems now being constructed there will be practically completed by the last of next week.

The large water main and many of the arteries are about complete and the greater part of the sewer system

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# HITCHING LOT TO BE USED BY THE FARMERS

## MANY ENTRIES RECEIVED BY FAIR MANAGEMENT.

### Special Train Service Has Been Arranged for Benefit of Visitors From Other Counties.

Announcement was made at the office of the Western North Carolina Fair association yesterday that a hitching and feeding lot just north of the fair grounds has been secured for the benefit of the many farmers who are expected to come to Asheville during the time of the annual exhibition through the country. Ample facilities will be provided on this property for caring for the stock of the farmers, and it is expected that the lot will prove of great convenience to those who will drive to this city. All visitors to the fair who have animals will be invited to make use of the lot, and it is expected that it will be used by hundreds of them during the four days of the fair, October 12, 14, 15 and 16.

Entries continue to come to the office of the fair association in Temple court, and the management is delighted with the prospects for a successful exhibition. The program of each day will be announced shortly and many attractive features will be included on the list of each day's events. Educational exhibits and demonstrations include those in domestic science, fruit culture and dairying which will be in charge of experts sent here by the land and industrial department of the Southern Railway company. W. N. Hutt, state horticulturist, will have charge of the demonstrations and exhibits devoted to horticulture, while hog cholera and its control will be explained by Dr. B. B. Flowe, state veterinarian, who will show an interest exhibit in connection with this subject. An exhibit and demonstration in seed propagation will be in charge of T. S. Puckett, assistant director, in charge of the seed testing laboratory.

In view of the fact that indications are that thousands of visitors will be here during the week of the fair from other counties, it is announced that excursion rates to and from Asheville on account of the exhibition will be put on by the Southern railway from North and South Carolina points; the Carolina, Clinchfield and Ohio railroad from all points in North and South Carolina and Tennessee; the Tennessee and North Carolina railroad, from Sunburst to Canton; the Appalachian railroad, from all points. Special service for Wednesday, October 14, includes trains leaving Bryson City for Asheville at 7 a. m., leaving Asheville for Bryson City at 10:15 a. m., those conducted on the Appalachian line to connect at Ela, trains on the Tennessee and North Carolina from Sunburst to connect at Canton. Special train service arranged for Thursday, October 15, Western North Carolina day, follows:

Leaving Asheville for Brevard at 10:30 p. m., leaving Asheville for Marion at 10:35 p. m., leaving Bryson City for Asheville at 7 a. m., leaving Asheville for Bryson City at 10:15 p. m., special trains on the Appalachian to connect at Ela, special trains on Tennessee and North Carolina from Sunburst to connect at Canton. These trains will serve intermediate points, it is announced, and the pyrotechnical displays will be put on in ample time for the passengers to reach the station here for the outgoing train after seeing the fireworks.

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# WESTERN NORTH CAROLINA FAIR ASHEVILLE, N. C. OCT. 13, 14, 15, 16

## Make Your Plans Now to Attend the Western North Carolina Fair

Aside from its Educational Advantages and Interesting Exhibits the Amusement Features at This Years Fair will Surpass all Former Achievements in the line of Entertainment—Both Free Spectacular Features and a Colossal Mid-way of Tent Attractions.

## Martin's Spectacular Fireworks Production Every Night

This Free Exhibition Alone is Worth the Price of Admission. It is a World's Fair Production of Highest Quality, Gorgeous Beauty and Startling Grandeur. It is a Daring, Dazzling Display of Blazing Beauty That Makes the Heavens a Riot of Color, the Earth a Sea of Flame. This is Only One of Many Surprises at This Years Fair.

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Magnificent Aggregation of Shows, Riding Devices and Concessions Producing a Real Midway

FREE! DAILY ONE HUNDRED FOOT HIGH DIVE AND THRILLING FIRE ACT FREE! Make Your Plans NOW To Attend The FAIR FREE! DAILY GREEN'S SPIRAL TOWER AND AWE INSPIRING HUMAN TEETER FREE!

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FREE! EVERY NIGHT MARTIN'S SPECTACULAR FIREWORKS PRODUCTION Special Emblems, Massive Designs, Intricate Effects. FREE! SPECIAL TRAIN SERVICE AND Excursion Rates FREE! DAY AND NIGHT CONCERTS BY PROF. D. PESETTIS' EIGHTEEN PIECE BRASS BAND FREE!

Singing, Recitation and Declaration Contests by Schools. Educational Address by Prof. A. C. Reynolds, Tuesday, October 13th


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# GREAT FIREWORKS DISPLAYS AT FAIR

## W. N. C. Fair Management Arranged for Gigantic Displays Every Night

During the Western North Carolina fair this fall, which opens here on the morning of Tuesday, October 13, the people of the city and section will have an opportunity to witness some real fireworks displays. These displays will be put on every night by Martin's Fireworks company, which has established an enviable reputation all over the country; and the displays that are to be put on will exceed in magnitude anything of the kind ever shown here.

In order that some idea may be given of what the people over the country think of the pyrotechnical displays arranged by this company, the following report of one of them is taken from The Daily Star of Lincoln, Neb., of a few weeks ago.

"A large crowd was treated to a pyrotechnical display last night at the Capital Beach which was all that was forecasted—and more. Screaming rockets which burst high in the air, forming a multitude of colors; Roman candles which released great bunches of multi-colored fire; whistling set pieces and enormous pin wheels that traveled forwards and backwards were all blended together to make a gorgeous sight that pleased the spectators and caused frequent applause.

"The fireworks were set off in the Beach ball park at 9:30 and the throng of sightseers which had until that time been giving their attention to other attractions flocked to the enclosure with a rush. Pieces were set off in quick succession and there was no delay between the acts. Booming crackers and all sorts of mid-air pyrotechnics were varied so as to bring out the most startling effects, and the program was carried out with everything satisfied."

Displays like the one described here will be given every evening during the fair here. Although this will be only one of the many big attractions, it alone will doubtless draw big crowds to Riverside park.

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# PLANS BEING COMPLETED FOR WESTERN NORTH CAROLINA FAIR

## Scores of Entries Are Being Received Daily and Many Attractive Entertainment Features Have Been Booked by the Management.

With but about one week remaining before the opening of the fourth annual Western North Carolina fair, which will be held at Riverside park, October 12, 13, 15 and 16, the management is rapidly getting everything in readiness for the exhibition and one of the officers of the fair association stated yesterday that he is delighted with the prospects for a successful exhibition. The grounds at the park are in readiness for the entries of the exhibits and the citizens of Asheville and Western North Carolina. The members of the office force at the headquarters of the fair association at the board of trade assembly rooms are being kept busy completing all details for the exhibition and by the time of the opening day everything will be ready for the entertainment of the thousands who are expected to throng the fair grounds.

The agricultural department is being given unusual attention by the farmers of this section of the state and this feature of the fair promises to be one of great interest. Products of all kinds coming from various points of the western counties of North Carolina will be placed on exhibition in this department and those who are interested in farm products doubtless will find plenty at the fair grounds to attract their attention.

The valuable premiums and long prize list will attract many exhibitors to the fair and the judges in this department will be kept busy during the time of the fair placing the ribbons and selecting the prize winners. Interest in the poultry department promises to be keen and the [illegible] exhibition with keen interest.

### Horticultural Display.

The department devoted to horticulture will be another attractive feature of this year's annual fair and orchadists will ship their choice varieties to the exhibition for the inspection of the judges and the thousands of people who are expected to go through the building devoted to horticultural exhibits. Apples and other fruits as well as flowers will draw large awards at the approaching exhibition and that the horticulturists have been carefully studying the premium list is shown by the large number of entries received.

In the department devoted to swine some unusually fine pigs and hogs will be on display, various stockraisers having advised the management of their intentions to compete for the premiums offered in this department. Enlarged space this year will enable the fair management to care for the increased number of swine that will be shown and judging from the manner in which entries are being received at the office of the management of the organization, the judges will have a hard task in selecting the winners in the different classes.

The poultry department is arousing keen interest among the fanciers of Western North Carolina and some fine birds will be on exhibition during the four days of the fair. The fair has offered a cup to the member of the committee which is assisting the director who secures the largest number of entries in the class assigned to him. The committeemen are working hard for the trophy and their efforts will result in the display of hundreds of handsome [illegible] at the fair. The poultry fanciers of Western North Carolina have held several meetings during the past few weeks and they declare that the poultry department of the fair alone will be well worth the trip to the grounds. Western North Carolina has some progressive poultry fanciers and that they are showing great interest in the fair indicates that this department will attract the attention of thousands of visitors to the grounds.

### Educational Exhibits.

The department devoted to the display of educational exhibits is one that will arouse unusual interest among the younger visitors to the fair and their parents. Premiums are offered for various classes of displays and the younger people will await the awarding of the prizes and premiums with no little concern. This always has proved an interesting department and it is stated that more entries have been received this year than ever before.

Good things to eat will be displayed in abundance in the department devoted to pantry supplies and those interested in canned goods, preserves and tonics for their appetites will only have to visit this department to arouse a longing for meal time. At former fairs, many visitors have gone to this department to see the exhibits only to leave with a refreshment stand as their goal and this year's entries are more varied than ever. Breads, cakes, pastry and candy will be shown in abundance while a variety of foodstuffs will be shown in the class devoted to miscellaneous pantry supplies.

Fine arts and hand work will be shown on a larger scale than ever attempted at a previous fair and in view of the increased premiums and the enlarged classes, many additional entries have been received. The vast majority of the exhibits which attracted so much favorable comment last year will be presented again next week while the department's display will be considerably enlarged by the showing of scores of exhibits which have never been placed on exhibition in this section of the state before. The same is true in the department devoted to ladies' handiwork and some handsome specimens of crochet, hand embroidery and miscellaneous [illegible] who will compete for the prizes.

### Boys and Girls.

The corn club boys of the country and the Buncombe tomato canning girls will take an active part in this year's exhibition and numerous features have been arranged for the entertainment of those who will visit the fair for purposes other than inspecting the varied exhibits. The rural singing contest promises to be a most enjoyable one and it will bring choirs here from all of the counties of this section of the state. Realizing that music is one of the best forms of entertainment, the management has offered excellent prizes in this department and the rural musicians will put forth their very best efforts to win some of them. In addition to the singing contest, music-lovers will have many opportunities to hear the eighteen-piece band which has been engaged for the fair and which will give daily and nightly concerts for the entertainment of the thousands of people who will go through the fair grounds during the four days of the exhibition.

The great Argyle shows have been booked for the midway attractions and their entertainment features are said to be the most elaborate ever brought to Western North Carolina. The "carousel," or three abreast jumping horse merry-go-round, with its brilliant illuminations and beautiful music, recently was constructed along distinctive lines at a cost of $15,000, while the ferris wheel will be in operation at all hours to thrill those who are desirous of reaching dizzy heights. Riders on three racing motorcycles on a perpendicular track, performing thrilling feats, will entertain the visitors to the motordome while the Wild West show is said to be one of the most elaborate on the road. It carries thirty horses and many expert marksmen. The show is booked direct from Coney Island, where it has entertained thousands to that popular resort and the management feels that it has been fortunate in securing it for the week of the fair at this city.

### Mechanical Show.

"A Trip to Mars," a mechanical [illegible] expected to prove popular among the visitors to the exhibition as is the "Theater de Tango," at which experts give demonstrations of the modern dances which are arousing enthusiasm in dancing circles throughout the country. The management has booked a modern minstrel show for the entertainment of those who are strong for buck and wing dancing, coon shouting, jubilee songs and parodies, jokes and funny sayings.

The National Sporting club's show will give practical demonstrations in the art of self-defense and the performers issue a challenge to all comers. The "World of Wonders" is a museum of natural curiosities gathered from all parts of the globe, confining attractions of natural freaks of nature without any human deformities. "The Pigmies of Africa" will entertain many visitors and the arena of reptiles is said to embrace a collection of snakes which required many years and thousands of dollars to acquire. "Around the World" is billed as "the largest portable fun factory ever constructed."

Several platform and vaudeville shows have been billed, embracing [illegible] will attract many of the visitors to the midway.

The pyrotechnical displays will be shown each evening and many other forms of amusement have been booked for the entertainment of the vast throngs which are expected to forget business cares during the time of the fair, in order that they may devote their time to the pursuit of pleasure and the viewing of exhibits of educational value.

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# "Free--Every Day--Dare Devil Jack"

**The Famous Aeronaut will make daily balloon ascensions and leap for life from the clouds.**

**Green's Spiral Tower and Human Teeter—Another Free Act.**

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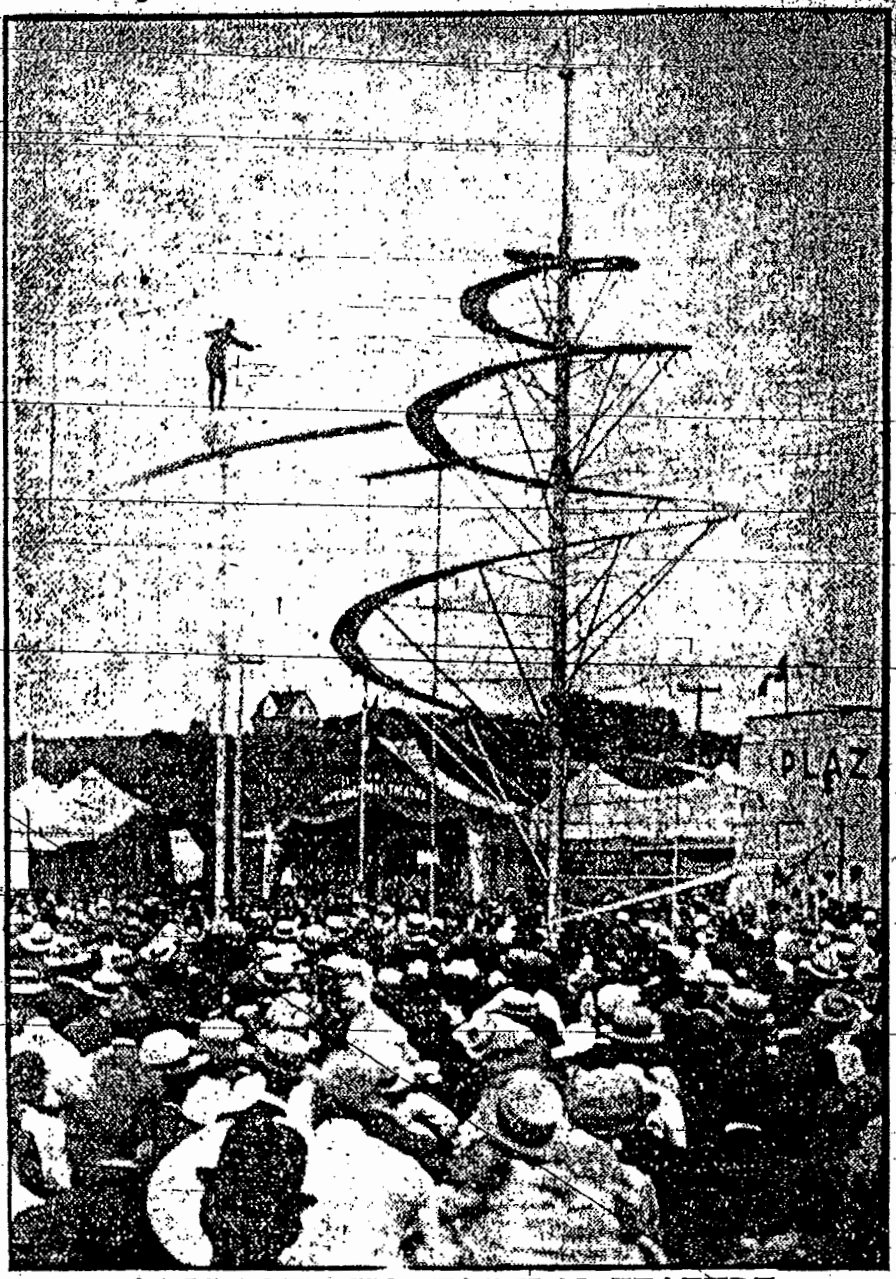


A WONDERFUL ACT OF SKILL

**A BIG FREE SPECTACULAR FEATURE**

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# WESTERN NORTH CAROLINA FAIR, ASHEVILLE, N.C. OCT. 13, 14, 15, 16

## Amusements Galore

Something for Everybody

Everything for Everybody

## Special Mid-Way

Attractions of the Best Kind

Clean, Enlivening, Amusing, Mirthful, Marvelous Exhibitions. A mighty aggregation of the World's foremost Rough Riders, Rifle Shots, Athletes, Boxers, Wrestlers, Dancers, Minstrels, Comedians, Singers, Etc.

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SOMETHING DOING EVERY MINUTE

## DON'T MISS IT

COME, BRING THE CHILDREN

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PARADE BY 5,000 COUNTY SCHOOL CHILDREN, TUESDAY OCT. 13—"DAY OF MIRTH," FRIDAY, OCT. 16, MASQUERADE PARADE AT NIGHT.

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# MORE MATERIAL FOR WEST ASHEVILLE WORK

## City Fathers Meet and Decide On Water Matters—Routine Business.

The most important matter before the board of aldermen of West Asheville, at the regular meeting held last night was the decision to purchase additional material for the extension of the water lines of town. It was stated that the line as contracted for, will be completed in about two weeks and the additional line in ten days. It was decided by the aldermanic body to buy 5,300 feet of pipe for the main line, this to be four-inch pipe, 1,200 feet additional on the Brevard road, this to be four-inch pipe and 1,600 additional feet of two inch pipe on Virginia avenue.

The only other business brought up was of a routine nature.

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# WEST ASHEVILLE HAS NEW SCHOOL SOCIETY

## Organization Is Formed and Officers Have Been Chosen to Serve.

The West Asheville School Improvement society has been organized. The following officers were chosen at a recent meeting: Mrs. Bailey Jones, president; Mrs. Kate Boyles, vice president; Miss Estelle Kerr, secretary-treasurer. The society has a large membership, made up of the ladies of West Asheville, for the most part patrons of the school.

The purpose of the society is to improve the equipment of the school; to improve and beautify the school grounds, to work toward securing a better school building and to get a Carnegie library.

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# BALLOON FLIGHTS TO FEATURE FAIR

## "Dare Devil Jack," Famous Aeronaut, to Make Daily Ascensions Here.

Announcement is made today by Secretary D. Harris of the Western North Carolina Fair association that "Dare Devil Jack," a well known aeronaut of this country, will make daily balloon ascensions at the fair, which opens here next Tuesday morning, October 13, for four days. This of course, will be another of the big free attractions and promises to draw very largely during the four days of the exposition.

William E. Engelke and E. A. Medearis, pyrotechnical experts in the employ of Martin's Fireworks company, arrived here Sunday and are making arrangements for the big fireworks displays that will be shown at Riverside park each evening during the fair next week. The Martin people were at the Beaverdam fair in Wisconsin last week, and this week are in Milwaukee. Reports from all places where the exhibitions have been put on are to the effect that the attraction is drawing mammoth crowds, 43,000 people witnessing the fireworks the last day in Beaverdam.

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# FOUND AT TRACK SIDE WITH SKULL CRUSHED

## H. F. LYTLE DIED OF INJURIES YESTERDAY MORNING.

### Fireman of Passenger Train No. 35 Discovered Unconscious at Old Fort And Rushed to Asheville.

His skull crushed at the base of his brain, Fireman H. Fred Lytle, aged thirty, was picked up by the side of the track at Old Fort yesterday morning and was rushed to the Mission hospital for treatment but died at that institution a short time before noon. The body was removed to the home of the deceased at West Asheville and funeral services will be held from the home tomorrow afternoon. Interment will be at the West Asheville cemetery.

According to the statement of Engineer R. F. Cline, the deceased climbed to the reservoir at the back of the tender to take on water when the train stopped at the Old Fort water tank yesterday morning about 1.30 o'clock. After he climbed to the top of the tender the fireman was not seen any more and after waiting a reasonable length of time the engineer, who was standing on the ground, walked to the rear of the tender to see what was the cause of the delay. There he found the deceased on the ground by the side of the track in an unconscious condition. His head lay near the end of one of the ties and it is thought that contact with the sharp corner crushed the skull. The injured man was put on the train and all speed was made for Asheville, the train arriving here in a short time.

Every possible effort was made to save the life of the injured man but in spite of medical attention he died about 11 30 o'clock yesterday morning. He never regained consciousness after being picked up at the side of the track.

Just how the deceased sustained his injuries is not known. It is thought that he lost his balance while at the act of letting water into the reservoir and plunged to the tracks below. Engineer Cline states that the deceased seemed to be well when they left Salisbury on the run to Asheville and that he performed his duties in the usual manner. An investigation revealed the fact that part of the apparatus by which water is taken from the tank was broken, it is said, and it is thought that when the fireman grasped this it gave and caused him to make the headlong plunge from his position.

The deceased had been a fireman on passenger train No. 35 for several months and had been in the employ of the Southern Railway company many years. He was trusted by his employers and it is stated that he was in line for immediate promotion. He was making his home at West Asheville and is survived by his wife and two children. He had many friends who will keenly regret his sudden death.

The deceased was a member of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen, Pisgah lodge, No. 33, Knights of Pythias, Suez temple, No. 73; D. O. K. K., and the Asheville aerie, No. 1377, Fraternal Order of Eagles.

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# W. ASHEVILLE TO HAVE BANK

## Charter Has Been Secured for Bank of West Asheville With Capital Stock of $10,000.

## G. D. CARTER WILL BE PRESIDENT, IS REPORT

## Institution Promoted by A. H. Miller, of Greer, S. C.—Organization Next Week—To Open in 30 Days.

The stupendous European war and the much talked-of financial stringencies resulting therefrom have caused no uneasiness in this particular section, as indicated by the announcement just made that a new bank is to open shortly in West Asheville. A charter for the institution has already been granted by the state, and it will be known as the Bank of West Asheville. It will have a capital stock of $10,000 and will probably open within the next 30 days. There will be a meeting of the stockholders here next week, when a board of directors and officers will be selected. It is reported that G. D. Carter will head the list of officers as president.

The promotion of this new banking institution was undertaken a short time ago by A. H. Miller of Greer, S. C., who is interested in the banks at Fletcher and Clyde. Since Mr. Miller took the proposition up he has received the strong support of practically every business man in West Asheville and the amount of the capital stock is almost subscribed in full. The incorporators include a number of West Asheville's leading business men and with such co-operation among them the success of the institution seems to be assured even before plans are perfected for its opening.

Aside from the business of selecting directors and officers at the meeting of stockholders next week, arrangements will be made for fixtures and a building will be secured for the bank. Just as soon as the fixtures are received and can be installed the bank will open its doors for a general banking business.

West Asheville is one of the most thriving of Asheville's suburban towns, and during the last few years has experienced a most remarkable growth. The population of the town at present is estimated to be about 5,000. A building boom has been in progress for over a year now and realty values have gone up amazingly. The town has had a trolley service to Asheville for something over three years now, and numbers of men maintain their residences there and look after their business interests in Asheville. Work is now in progress in installing modern water and sewer systems which will give the residents the advantage of Asheville city water, which is brought from the summit of Mount Mitchell, 18 miles away.

The little city across the French Broad, aside from possessing the combined advantages of both city and suburban life, is situated in close touch with one of Buncombe county's

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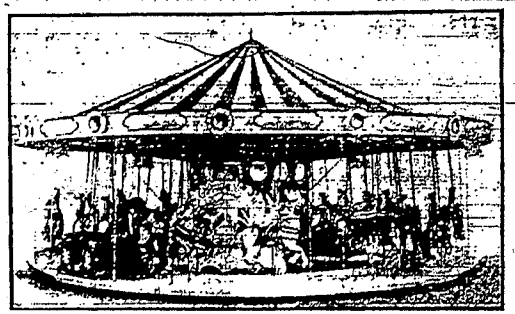
# WESTERN NORTH CAROLINA FAIR, ASHEVILLE, N. C. OCT. 13, 14, 15, 16

## A Fair That Will Make History

Everything has been done that money, brains and human effort could accomplish toward making this the greatest achievement of its kind in the history of North Carolina Fairs. All that remains to make this Fair a record. breaker. from every stand point is your presence every day and every night, to help swell the attendance, and add one more happy, smiling countenance to the joyous throng of amusement seekers..



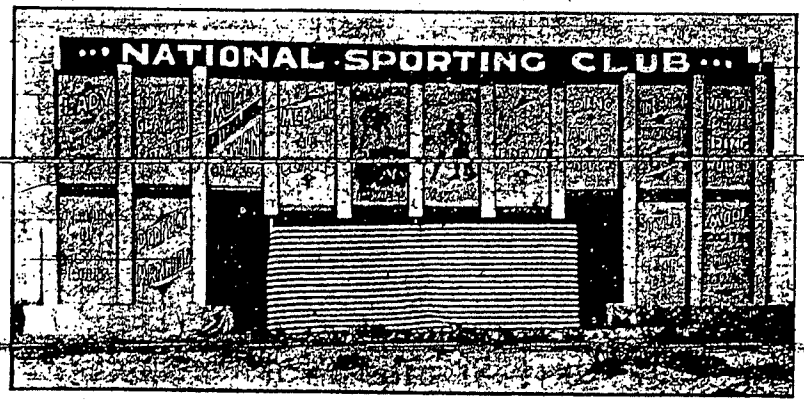
This is the Big $20,000 Carousal, with three abreast, jumping horses that all the Boys and Girls from one to one hundreds Years old will have an opportunity to ride upon.

## Amusements You Will Appreciate

You come to this Fair expecting a big time and you will not go away disappointed. You will see things that you will marvel at, remember long and talk about the balance of your life. If anything has been overlooked in the line of free features, spectacular stunts or mid-way attractions it is not visible to the naked eye.

## Excellent Exhibits Are Assured

Enthusiasm has run riot, the spirit of friendly rivalry and keen competition is manifested to a greater extent among people in all walks of life. The number and diversity of the exhibits will prove one of the big surprises at this years Fair. This Fair will demonstrate to all the world that Western North Carolina has been richly endowed by nature and blessed with a thrifty populace who appreciate the advantages of "The Land of the Sky", the world's greatest garden spot.




ONE OF THE MANY FEATURES OF THE MID-WAY AT THE WESTERN NORTH CAROLINA FAIR NEXT WEEK WILL BE THE NATIONAL SPORTING CLUB.

This show features the well known champion wrestlers, Costello, Billie Kreakins, and Faust, who send out an open challenge to meet all comers. There will be also lady wrestlers and champion boxers who will likewise meet all comers and furnish an interesting entertainment and demonstrate the art of self-defense so dear to every healthy, red blooded American.

## A Word About Admission Charges

REGULAR ADMISSIONS, Adults 25 Cents. Children Six to Twelve Years of Age 15c.

On Tuesday, October 13th, "Educational Day" a special ticket will be sold to school children and public school teachers for 10 cents each. On Thursday, October 15th, "Western North Carolina Day," Veterans of the Civil War, both "The Blue and the Gray," wearing badges or presenting evidence of service WILL BE ADMITTED FREE.

## SOME OF THE SIGHTS ON THE MID-WAY

The Trip to Mars, The Plantation Shows, the World of Wonders, the Snake Arena, Smallest Lady on Earth, The Whirl of Death or Motordrome, The Old Reliable Ferris Wheel, The Tango Theatre and Many Others.

## FREE FEATURE ACTS DAY AND NIGHT

Balloon ascension and death defying leap from the clouds daily by the well known aeronaut, "Dare Devil Jack." Green's Spiral Tower and the Human Teeter, or See-Saw, undoubtedly America's foremost spectacular free act. A different program of fireworks every night—the best ever.

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# TWO FEATURES AT THE FAIR TONIGHT RIVERSIDE PARK

## Martin's Spectacular Fireworks Production at 7:45. Green's Spiral Tower and Human Teeter Act at 9:30

Martin's World Famous Spectacular Fireworks Production is a real treat that will please both old and young, rich and poor alike. It is a World's Fair Production of gorgeous beauty, and startling grandeur, including special emblems, massive designs and comical figures. It is a daring, dazzling display of blinding, blazing beauty, roaring rockets, shrieking shells and bursting bombs. There are fiery furnaces of mines, bombs, batteries, tourtdillions, devices and novelties that produce a furious fusilade of new effects of rare beauty, dazzling brilliancy and real splendor, seldom if ever equalled. This is a modern spectacular production of the pyrotechnic art, a triumph of chemical discoveries, intricate designs and mechanical inventions. Don't miss it, you'll regret it if you do. For the intricate effects in rockets, the bursting blazoned beauty of the shells, the liquid silver of Niagara and the molten splendor of the fountains make the heavens a riot of color, the earth a sea of flame that you will remember for the balance of your life.

Plenty of Cars Will Be Operated on Convenient Schedule to Accommodate the Crowd

FIREWORKS 7:45—TONIGHT'S PROGRAM.

Golden Chromatic Sunburst—30x30 ft when in action. Red and green lance-work center with gorgeous bursts of gold fountains of fire in form of sunburst.

Fountain—From a green basin there bursts forth silver fountains of great beauty presenting a fire frontage of 25x25 ft.

Birch Tree—A beautiful tree of gold with fusilades of colored stars blooming from center.

Mammoth Chromatic Star—Fire frontage 30x30 ft. forming a gorgeous star of many colored fires while from each point there bursts forth dazzling points of gold.

Oriental Tree—In action 30x30 ft., a magnificent tropical tree design formed of golden fires, and embellished with beautiful colored fruit while a gaily plumaged bird revolves rapidly around the blooms.

Great Chromatic Wheel—With a rear this wheel presenting a fire frontage of 30x30 ft. Revolves rapidly around, forming a great circle of revolving flame and embellished with multi-colored arms of fire.

Comical Mechanical Feature—Happy Hooligan, who clad in garments of fire, does all the antics of a living acrobat, with some original stunts of his own.

Fountain of the Seven Veils—This is a beautiful fountain of monster proportions formed of fountains of the most dazzling brilliance known to the pyrotechnic art.

Special Novelty—Flying Pigeon which is very startling and amusing.

Grand Finale—Aerial Battle; this is a reproduction in miniature of all the noise and action of the great European War.

In addition to the above there will be given large quantities of Rockets, Shells, Mines, Batteries, Splines, Illuminations and other novel and new pyrotechnical features. Program changed every night.

## Admission to the Grounds---Adults 25c, Children 6 to 12 Years of Age 15c

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# SCHOOL CHILDREN OF BUNCOMBE COUNTY IN MAMMOTH PARADE THIS MORNING TO THE FAIR

## Practically Every School in Buncombe Participated in Line of Review.

## BOYS' CORN CLUB AT HEAD OF BIG PAGEANT

### Thousands of Young American Hopefuls Brought Gladness to Hearts of Elders Here Today.

The parade and demonstration of the Buncombe county school children this morning through the city and at the Western North Carolina fair was the biggest thing of its kind ever held in Asheville.

Thousands of students of the various institutions throughout this city, noted for its educational advantages, participated. Some of the little boys and girls who took part in the big pageant seemed hardly strong enough to make the long tramp, but they were just as enthusiastic as were their seniors. Many grown young men and women, all students, were in line. In many instances community pride compelled the mothers and fathers of the students to participate also.

All carried banners designating the schools to which they belong. The students wore badges and many of them carried pennants. Drum corps led several of the divisions of the school parade, while all of the institutions of learning had yells of their own pa rticular composition. And is a "lusty-lunged" set of boys and girls making up the enrollment of the public schools of Buncombe county! This fact was clearly demonstrated this morning.

Many of the schools had their several classes in the parade linked together with streamers of bunting of the national colors. Several schools had large American flags. One or two classes carried garlands of fall leaves and flowers. The Cedar Hill school carried a large banner decorated with sprigs of cedar. The entire scheme of the parade showed much thought upon the part of the principals and teachers, as well as the patrons of the many schools participating.

Early this morning school children from all sections of Buncombe county commenced to gather on the court house lawn. By 10:30 o'clock all was ready for the parade to move. The Buncombe County Boys' Corn club lead off with a large banner that required the combined strength of several to manage in the fall winds. The boys made a fine showing. Many were overalls andcarried corn-stalks upon which were attached suitable banners and pennants.

Col. A. Gilbert Wood, land and industrial agent for the Southern railway in Asheville; N. Buckner, secretary of the local board of trade; John A. Nichols of the Agriculture committee of the board of trade; E. D. Weaver, county farm demonstrator, and several others, all clad in overalls and carrying appropriate pennants, were in the first part of the parade. Then came the brass band of 18 pieces from the Great Argyle Shows at the fair.

The West Asheville public schools came next. These schools composed an entire division of the big parade and the boys and girls, and the young men and women participating in this section, were roundly applauded along the line of march.

"Oh, you John Nichols, you Weaverville farmer"! exclaimed a voice from Masonic headquarters in the Drhumor building as the parade rounded the postoffice corner. This called for laughter and applause. Everybody was in a good humor and entered into the spirit of the day with enthusiasm.

The banners carried by the Boys' Corn club were unique, to say the least of it. The following were some of the inscriptions:

"Don't hide your light under a bushel."

"The Corn Stalk is Mightier than the Gun."

"Oh Shucks, boys, if you are beat don't get on your ear."

Corn was certainly king so far as the school cvhildren's parade was concerned this morning.

Prof. W. H. Hipps, county superintendent of schools, was about the happiest man to be found. He was delighted over the record-breaking showing made. Members of the county board of education and other friends of the schools warmly congratulated Professor Hipps upon the showing made. A corps of assistants aided the county superintendent in forming the big parade and everything went off without a hitch.

The following is a partial list of the schools of the county participating in the parade:

Black Mountain, Montreat, West Asheville, Round Hill, Jupiter, Azalea, Indiana, Cedar Hill, New Grove, Tweed, Snow Hill, Morgan Hill, Oak Hill, Cap Creek, Swannanoa, Sand Hill, Leicester, Burnham, Heights, Slate, New Found, Valley Springs, Arden and many others.

Thousands of residents of Asheville and visitors to the fair who arrived this morning lined the downtown streets and watched the parade of the school children as it passed in review. At the Citizens bank corner a halt was made while a photographer took a series of pictures. The moving picture man was likewise on the job and secured, he says, some fine views of the school children.

From the courthouse the children marched around the southside of Pack square, after leaving College street, thence down Patton avenue to Haywood to Montford to the fair grounds, where all were admitted. Shortly afterwards the regular Educational day program on the grounds was commenced.

The weather this morning was ideal for such a parade of children and the demonstration was one of the biggest things of its kind ever seen in this section, if not the entire state.

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# WESTERN NORTH CAROLINA FAIR WILL BE OPENED THIS MORNING

## Great Parade of School Children Will Feature "Educational Day"—Midway Attractions Best Ever Offered in Western North Carolina.

"Fair" is the prediction of the United States weather bureau for today, which means fair weather for Western North Carolina and the best of "fair" weather for the big Western North Carolina fair, which opens today. Promptly at 9 o'clock this morning the gates at Riverside park will be thrown open to the public, and with the striking of the clock and the opening of the gates will start the greatest fair ever held in Western North Carolina, and one which will compare with any ever held in the state.

All the attractions are in place, and a glance over the grounds gives assurance that the midway this year will be one that will long be remembered in Asheville. The shows are all large and all of the better class, attractions that will interest every variety of people, for the shows are of every variety. The free attractions, the spiral tower and the human seesaw, are in place, ready for the first exhibition, and they are thrillers, according to all reports from other cities where they have been shown.

### Corn Club Boys.

At 10:30 o'clock this morning the corn club boys of the county, clad in overalls and carrying each a corn stalk as a staff, will meet at the court house to arrange for the starting of the great educational parade, which is to feature today, the opening day being known as "Educational Day." Confident predictions are made that at least 5,000 school children will be in line for the great parade and they will march to the fair grounds, each child marching to the grounds being admitted free. The corn club boys, with their marshals, will head the parade and with them will march Dr. Arthur S. Wheeler, chairman of the Buncombe county corn club committee; E. D. Weaver, county farm demonstrator; County Superintendent of Education W. H. Hipps and N. Buckner, secretary of the board of trade. In connection with this parade, Mr. Buckner has already declared that the board of trade will be closed today, in order that he may not miss his place in the parade. Today's parade promises to surpass any ever held in Buncombe county.

All the attractions are in place, and all the exhibits, with the exception of a very few that will arrive this morning before the gates are open, have been arranged ready for inspection. The exhibits this year are unusually fine. Just a glance at the array of splendid apples, arranged in piles on the tables in the exhibition halls, turns the thoughts orchardward, and fairly causes the mouth to water. The apples, as an exhibit, will compare favorably with any in the country.

In the educational department, in the building next to the big gate, some of the finest specimens of school work to be found in the country are located. Teachers and principals, as well as Superintendent Harry Howell, were on the grounds yesterday, giving the final touches to the exhibition which promises to set a new standard for educational exhibits in Western North Carolina.

### Fine Attractions.

Getting back to the attractions, both free and paid, which always are the main point of interest to the fairgoer, it may safely be said that the midway this year will surpass any ever shown in this part of the state. Heading the list are the Great Argyle shows, a midway in themselves, and containing every kind of a show that would be likely to suit the individual taste of any one on the fair grounds.

For the persons seeking a thrill, the spiral tower and the human seesaw, and the motordome, where daredevil riders, mounted on motorcycles, flirt with death every minute as they dash around the cup-shaped track at a speed that would make the average train look slow. Some of the stunts which are performed in a matter-of-fact, all-in-the-day's work sort of way would, a few years ago, have been considered impossible.

For the man with a leaning toward the manly art, and athletic sports of every variety, there is the National Sporting Club, which features wrestling, boxing and other athletic sports, the show carrying wrestlers and boxers of both sexes. The worshipper at the shrine of Terpsichore can find amusement at the Theater de Tango, where all the latest steps will be shown.

In addition to these there are the "Wonders of the World," the "Reptile Arena," "Trip to Mars," "Theater of Minstrelsy," "Racing Derricks," "Hannaffin's Lions" and of course the old fashioned carousal and the ferris wheel. These and dozens of other shows and concessions, all the paraphernalia necessary to make the midway the most complete ever seen in Asheville, are in place, and all the shows, including the "Cabin Twins" were forced to set up their tents outside.

### Fireworks Program.

The fireworks program for the four nights of the fair is the most elaborate ever attempted in Asheville. The fireworks will be set off from the side of the hill toward Asheville, at a spot where they will be plainly visible from all parts of the park. The program for the display tonight is as follows:

Golden chromatic sunburst; 30x30 feet when in action. Red and green lancework center with gorgeous bursts of gold fountains of fire in form of sunburst.

Fountain—From a green basin there bursts forth silver fountains of great beauty presenting a fire frontage of 25x65 feet.

Birch tree—A beautiful tree of gold with fusillades of colored stars blooming from center.

Mammoth chromatic star, fire frontage 30x30 feet, forming a gorgeous star of many colored fires while from each point there bursts forth dazzling points of gold.

Oriental tree—In action 20x20 feet; a magnificent tropical tree design formed of golden fires, and embellished with beautiful colored fruit while a gaily plumaged bird revolves rapidly around the blooms.

Great chrysanthemum wheel, 40 feet in diameter, will roar this wheel presenting a fire frontage of 20x30 feet, revolves rapidly around, forming a great circle of revolving flames and embellished with multi-colored arms of fire.

Comical mechanical feature—Happy Hooligan, who, clad in garments of fire, does all the antics of a living acrobat, with some original stunts of his own.

Fountain of the seven veils—This is a beautiful fountain of monster proportions, and an exposition of the most dazzling brilliance known to the pyrotechnic art.

Special novelty—Flying pigeon which is very startling and amusing.

Grand finale—Aerial battle. This is a reproduction in miniature of all the noise and action of the great European war.

In addition to the above there will be given large quantities of rockets, shells, mines, batteries, spiines, illuminations and other novel and new pyrotechnical features.

Nothing remains except to open the gates and start the turnstiles clicking with the steady rush of people that are sure to attend.

"We have done our best, both for the fair and for the public," said Secretary Hurris, of the fair association, last night. "And all we can do now is to wait, and see if our efforts are appreciated. We have the best fair, the best attractions, the best exhibits and best weather promised that has ever greeted a crowd of fairgoers in Buncombe county. It is up to the people to furnish the crowd."

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# TODAY'S THE DAY
## Tonight's the Night

## RIVERSIDE PARK

IS THE PLACE WHERE

# THE BIG SHOW

IS BEING STAGED

## Western N. Carolina Fair

**October 13, 14, 15 and 16**

**GATES OPEN AT 9:00 A. M.**

**TODAY! TODAY! TODAY!**

**Parade 10:30 a. m. by**

## 5000 County School Children

## And Buncombe County Boys Corn Club

ADDRESS AT NOON BY

**PROF. A. C. REYNOLDS**

**Principal Cullowhee Normal and Industrial School**

## BIG FREE ACTS AT 3 AND 9:30 P. M.

**Green's Spiral Tower and Human Teeter**

## MARTIN'S SPECTACULAR FIREWORKS

**Begins Promptly at 7:45 p. m.**

PROGRAM CHANGED EVERY NIGHT DURING THE FAIR

**Admission to Fair Grounds** Adults - - - - - 25c
Children 6 to 12 years - 15c

Public School Children and Teachers Today 10c

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# SCHEDULE ANNOUNCED BY BINGHAM CADETS

## All Dates for Season Filled but Two — Next Game on Saturday.

The Bingham school football team has announced the schedule of games that has been arranged by the team for the season, it being complete with the exception of games for October 24 and the Thanksgiving game on November 26. The next game to be played will be next Saturday in this city with the Central High school of Knoxville.

The schedule is as follows:

Bingham against Knoxville Central high, at Asheville, October 17.

October 24, open.

Bingham against University of Tennessee reserves, at Asheville, October 31.

Bingham against King college at Bristol, November 7.

Bingham against Carson Newman, at Asheville, November 16.

November 26, open.

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# TO ESTABLISH BANK IN WEST ASHEVLLE

**Charter for Institution of $10,000 Capital Stock Granted by State—To Be Operated Soon.**

The Bank of West Asheville with a capital stock of $10,000, has secured a charter from the state and will begin operations in a short time, according to the promoters of the plan. It is stated that the bank will begin operations probably within thirty days. The business men of West Asheville are behind the movement and it is stated that most of the stock has been subscribed already.

A. H. Miller, of Greer, S. C., started the promotion of the scheme several months ago and it met with immediate success. Mr. Miller is interested in banks at Fletchers and Clyde. General enthusiasm has been evinced in the banking plan and many of the largest propertyholders in the town of West Asheville have invested in the stock.

A meeting of the stockholders will be held next week when officers and directors will be chosen and it is announced that the name of G. D. Carter is being mentioned for the position of president.

Aside from the business of selecting officers and directors, a building to be occupied will be selected. As soon as this has been done, fixtures for the offices will be chosen and ordered.

The establishment of a bank in West Asheville at this time is taken as an indication of the prosperity and growth of the town, which has a population at present of about 5,000. It is one of the most thriving of the towns in the surrounding section and it is expected that the new bank will add much to the business industry of the place.

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# BIGGEST RAINFALL FOR MANY MONTHS

## Thirsty Soil of This Section Being Refreshed by Gentle, Steady Precipitation.

According to the records of the Asheville weather bureau this morning, there has been a rainfall since Tuesday afternoon, up to 8 o'clock this morning, of 2.98 inches. A conservative estimate today at noon was that this precipitation had increased to at least 3.50 inches. It is the heaviest continual rainfall experienced here for many months and, although the need of it has been very keenly felt owing to the ever increasing deficiency of moisture in the soil, the fact that it has come while the Western North Carolina fair is in progress has proved a great disappointment to the citizens of the city and section.

In this connection, the worst feature of the situation is the forecast issued by the weather bureau this morning in which it is stated that there will be rain tonight and probably again tomorrow. The storm is by no means local, reports this morning showing that the rain is general from points in Florida to Washington city, to Cincinnati. The storm is now central over southern Georgia and is moving in a northeasterly direction, which tends to indicate that this section is likely to have rain for another 12 hours, and possibly for another 24.

To the farmers of the section the present rain is being received with joy, for it is the first real rain that has fallen for over a year. There have been a number of freshets, when there would be heavy precipitation for a few hours, but that moisture is quickly lost as surface water. The present rain is falling steadily but slowly and is being absorbed by the soil as it falls. The deficiency of between 12 and 15 inches that has existed will be greatly relieved.

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# NOAH KNEW WHAT TO EXPECT

## SO HE BUILT AN ARK

Unfortunately the Management of the Western North Carolina Fair Had No One to "Tip Them Off", So We Must Put Up With Conditions As We Find Them.

## THIS IS THE DAY FOR THE WATERS TO SUBSIDE

Big Spectacular Fireworks Display Tonight at 7:45

You May Not Know It But This Is The

## "DAY OF MIRTH"

AT THE

Western North Carolina Fair

## BIG MASQUERADE PARADE

ON THE

Midway Tonight

IT WILL BE ONE BIG FROLIC

Four Handsome Prizes for the Best Costumes

TOMORROW---SATURDAY---THE LAST DAY. DON'T MISS THE FIREWORKS SAT. NIGHT 11 O'CLOCK

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# FOURTH ANNUAL FAIR COMES TO A CLOSE; ATTENDANCE IS SMALL

## Management Encountered Severe Weather During the Five Days of the Exhibition—Promoters, However, Are Undismayed—Rain Again Last Night.

After experiencing the worst flood of the past four years and conducting the exposition during five of the most disagreeable days of the present season, the management of the Western North Carolina Fair association brought the fourth annual exhibition to a close last night. While this year's fair presented a variety of exhibits, attractively arranged, a midway which has never been surpassed at an Asheville fair and other features which contributed to the success of the event from an educational and amusement standpoint, the weather has been such during the five days of the exhibition that it has received the support of comparatively few people and the management will experience a loss on this year's fair. The attendance for the entire time of the fair has been less than what would have been recorded on one day under normal conditions and the promoters are disappointed. They realize, however, that the weather has been such as to discourage attendance and declare that the interest shown in spite of the bad weather convinces them that the people of this section of the state are still interested in the annual exhibitions.

Financial losses will be experienced, but conservative management has resulted in the saving of a considerable amount of money and the bills incurred by the association will be paid [illegible] ment having prepared to begin the work of checking over the accounts in preparation for mailing the checks at once. Throughout the time devoted to preparations for the exhibition, economy has been practiced and hundreds of dollars have been saved as a result of the decision of the directors to eliminate the horse and cattle departments at this year's fair. Had these departments been conducted this year the losses would have been enormous, it is stated.

### Steady Rain.

After the four days originally set apart for holding the fair proved to be so unsatisfactory on account of the weather, the announcement that the management had decided to extend the fair through last night was received with pleasure by the thousands tunity to go to the grounds on account to go to the grounds on account of the rain. A number of them went to the grounds yesterday, but a drizzling rain which started late in the afternoon continued to hold attendance to the minimum and hopes which had been entertained that the final day of the fair would be such as to enable all of those who had been unable to go through the grounds were shattered as lowering clouds gathered in the afternoon and a steady rain began to fall.

The management is disappointed but by no means dismayed and it was stated last night that a bigger and better fair will be given next year, when it is hoped that the weather man will have forgotten his grievance and will be willing for the exhibition to be conducted without interference. In spite of the severe weather of fair week, officials last night appeared to be philosophical as they received final reports of various departments and made preparations to bring the fourth annual fair to a close. They realized that the small attendance was due to the bad weather and one of them remarked: "Well, our attendance has been small and our receipts are smaller than we had expected. However, if we must experience losses I'm glad we can place the blame on the shoulders of the weather man rather than attribute the same to a disinterested public. The people of this section of the state have given us loyal support, considering the weather, and we are convinced that the residents of North Carolina are interested in the work which the fair association is trying to do."

### Pleased With Exhibits.

Those who went to Riverside on the last day of the fair were pleased with the exhibits, the midway attractions and the free act which was held in the afternoon. The ascension of the spiral tower is an unusually hazardous feat and the manner in which the trick was performed yesterday afternoon brought delight to those who were on the grounds. It was impossible to repeat this act for the benefit of those who went to the grounds during the evening, the tower being so wet that it was deemed unwise to attempt to perform the feat. The fireworks for which elaborate arrangements had been made in view of the fact that it was the last night of the fair were cancelled on account of the weather, although a few pieces were shot. These had been arranged for the final display but preparations were interrupted when the rain began and only a small portion of the fireworks display was shown. During the entire time of the fair not one pyrotechnical display has been given, the weather forbidding these eagerly anticipated features of this year's fair.

George Murphy, manager of the Great Argyle shows, declared last night that he was delighted with the reception accorded him at this city. "We've had bad weather," he remarked, "but it's not the first time that we have struck the rains. The people have treated us royally and considering the weather our attendance has been good. Of course, we have been disappointed but we realize that the conditions of the past week have been beyond our control. We hope to be able to come back to Asheville at some date when the weather is not so bad and when we will have an opportunity to present our attractions to a larger number of people."

The exhibitors will get their awards tomorrow and the grounds will be deserted within a few days. The Great Argyle shows will go to Salisbury this afternoon or tomorrow morning for an engagement at that city and the management is hopeful that it will get out of the wet weather belt this week. Local firms will move their displays within the next few days and last night after the hour named by the management of the fair for exhibitors to get their entries several people called and took possession of their displays. Others, however, left their exhibits at the fair grounds, stating that they will call for them during the early part of the present week.

THE ASHEVILLE CITIZEN

# REBEKAHS MEET NEXT AT WEST ASHEVILLE

## ENJOYABLE CONVENTION CLOSED YESTERDAY MORNING.

### Officers Are Elected to Serve During the Coming Term of Six Months —Other Matters.

Asheville Rebekahs who have been in attendance upon the semi-annual meeting of the members of the order residing in the Ninth North Carolina district returned to the city yesterday from Swannanoa, where they have been royally entertained during the time of the meeting by the members of the Mount Mitchell lodge. Of special interest to the Rebekahs of this city will be the announcement that at yesterday morning's final meeting, West Asheville was selected as the place of holding the next meeting, the invitation extended by the members of Pisgah lodge, of that place, being accepted. Several lodges throughout the district asked for the next gathering, but the West Asheville members were successful in their efforts to land the meeting, presenting convincing arguments in favor of the selection of that town.

The officers chosen to serve during the coming term are: Mrs. D. W. Harrison, of Swannanoa, president; Mrs. Annie Young, of Swannanoa, vice-president; Miss Lillian Bird, of Asheville, secretary; Mrs. H. A. Ballard, of Asheville, treasurer.

Asheville and West Asheville Rebekahs who attended the convention declare that it was one of the most successful ever held in this district, having been largely attended and great interest having been shown in the various matters brought before the organization for discussion. Reports of the activities of the different lodges during the last six months showed that the Rebekahs of the district have been active in behalf of the organization and many new members have been initiated. No legislation was discussed, the greater portion of the time of the delegates being devoted to the transaction of business of a routine nature.

About thirty-five Rebekahs from this city attended the convention, including the degree team which went to Swannanoa Tuesday night to confer the degree on a class of candidates who chose the time of the semi-annual meeting to become members of the organization. The members of the team returned at a late hour Tuesday night while the delegates from this city remained at Swannanoa until yesterday, attending the final session of the meeting.

Local members declared upon their return that the members of the Mount Mitchell lodge provided elaborate entertainment for their visitors and the program was carried out in a most successful manner.

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# BINGHAM FOOTBALL SCHEDULE FOR YEAR

**Includes Several Games That Are Expected to be Hard Fought—Two Dates to be Supplied.**

The football schedule at Bingham school has been completed for the season with the exception of two dates and the management announces that these are expected to be filled within a short time. It is the hope of the management to secure a good game with some fast preparatory school team to be played in this city Thanksgiving day and it is likely that such an event will be scheduled. There are many followers of the gridiron game in Asheville who would welcome an annual event of this kind and there is little doubt that it would draw a large crowd. The schedule for the season follows:

Asheville high 0; Bingham 35, September 26.

Mars Hill 3; Bingham 60, October 3.

Bingham against Knoxville Central high, at Asheville, October 17.

October 24, open.

Bingham against University of Tennessee reserves, at Asheville, October 31.

Bingham against King college, at Bristol, November 7.

Bingham against Carson Newman, at Asheville, November 16.

November 26, open.

This schedule will include several hard fought battles, that at Bristol being anticipated as one of the hardest as the King college team has succeeded a reputation this year of having one of the best elevens in its history. The game against the University of Tennessee reserves also is expected to be a warm tussle.

**Asheville Citizen October 14, 1914**

# RAILWAY EXHIBIT FEATURE OF FAIR

## Southern Has Arranged Magnificent Educational Exhibit for the Fair.

The Southern railway has one of the most attractive displays on the grounds and many visitors to the Western North Carolina fair this morning thronged the pavilion in which the exhibit is installed.

H. F. Besecker of Chester, Va., an exhibit agent of the railroad company, and a corps of assistants are in charge of the display, all working under the full direction of Col. T. Gilbert Wood, land and industrial agent of the Southern railway with headquarters in Asheville.

The Southern railway has, or will make ten of these fair displays in this territory this fall. Other states will likewise be visited by the railroad displays. The fair circuit in charge of Expert Besecker will include Asheville, Gate City, Va.; Coal Creek, Tenn.; Silver, N. C.; Waynesville, Salisbury, Commerce, Ga.; Spartanburg, Orangeburg and Barnwell, S. C., the season closing on November 21, at the last named Palmetto state city. Colonel Wood has charge of four of these fair circuits of the Southern railway. In Asheville there are now several regular agents who travel with the special display which fills an entire car.

The party includes in part: Mrs. T. E. Waldrop of Valdosta, Ga., who is in charge of the domestic science feature of the big exhibit; and Miss Bessie Hardeman of Commerce, Ga., who is a graduate of the domestic science department of the Kansas College of Agriculture. Other assistants are employed wherever the fair experts visit. Mrs. Waldrop is also permanently in charge of the Girls' Canning club of Jacksonville, Fla.

This morning a model kitchen, with range and other things necessary, was installed in the Southern railway exhibit and Mrs. Waldrop and Miss Hardeman are giving demonstrations of the right and wrong way to prepare food and drinks for the table, under the eyes of the spectators. This feature is especially interesting to the women.

The balance of the exhibit includes modern dairying and small farming machinery; a patented and a home-made silo and other things of interest to the farmers, fruit and truck-growers. Apples from western North Carolina that have been properly sprayed and those that have not been to keep off parasites, are on display here. Dr. Morgan, an expert from Atlanta, is expected to arrive from Atlanta to feature the dairying display of the Southern railway exhibit.

In making these displays the Southern is carrying out the ideas of Col. M. V. Richards of Washington, land and industrial agent of the big system, in an effort to further exploit the agriculture, dairying, fruit and cattle raising advantages of the many sections traversed by the Southern railway.

The apple display includes demonstrations of how to properly pack the fruit for shipment and this is of special interest, too, to those of this section. The United States department of agriculture at Washington has a splendid display of good and bad roads in the south, in an effort to stimulate the spirit of good road building. This display is in the form of 40 or more large photographs of actual scenes along the line.

Agent Besecker says he and his assistants are at the Asheville fair to answer questions. A large amount of interesting literature prepared by experts for the Southern railway was distributed this morning to visitors.

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# SPECIAL EXHIBITS WILL BE AT FAIR

## Educational Exhibits and Demonstrations in Horticulture, Seed Propagation, Etc.

One of the big features of the Western North Carolina fair, which opens here next Tuesday, will be the educational exhibits and demonstrations. Among these will be a series prepared by the Southern Railway company and put on under the direction of Col. T. Gilbert Wood, local agent of the land and industrial department. There will be three of these exhibits, one in domestic science, one in fruit culture and one in dairying. Experts will be in charge of each one and demonstrations will be given every day during the fair.

These exhibits have been put on by the Southern every year since the fair was inaugurated here and have always proved a most valuable part of the exposition. Scientific methods and machinery are shown and displayed, and information is given that is of great value to the people of the section. There will be a number of new features to the exhibits this year, and they promise to be more interesting than ever before.

There will also be a horticultural exhibit and demonstration at the fair this year that will be in charge of Prof. W. N. Hutt, state horticulturist. This will be an entirely new feature and will doubtless prove a most valuable one in view of the fact that western North Carolina has gained great prestige in the past few years as a horticultural section.

Dr. B. B. Flowe, state veternarian, will be in charge of an exhibit pertaining to hog raising. This exhibition has been arranged for the purpose, primarily, of showing how cholera can be controlled among swine herds. The value of this exhibit will be very great.

An exhibit on seed propagation, with demonstrations showing the best scientific methods, will be in charge of Prof. T. S. Duckett, assistant director of the state test farm. To the farmers of the section, this exhibit will be of prime interest, and it is expected that they will take advantage of this opportunity to learn the most approved methods as worked out on the test farm.

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# ELIADA ORPHANAGE IS PREY FOR FLAMES

## CHILDREN'S HOME DESTROYED BY FIRE YESTERDAY.

### Loss of About Ten Thousand Dollars Will Fall Heavily on Management, There Being No Insurance.

As thirty-five little tots were preparing to begin their class room work at the Eliada orphanage yesterday morning at 9:15 o'clock, flames were discovered on the roof of the building and a few minutes later the site of the handsome home for homeless boys and girls was the scene of only the ashes and bare chimneys. All of the inmates of the home were saved without injury or narrow escapes, the use of fire drills enabling the instructors to take them from the building with comparative ease. Homeless through the loss of the orphanage, the children are being cared for by friends of the institution pending the building of a handsome new building, plans for which were adopted several weeks ago, as stated in The Citizen.

The flames spread rapidly and had gained such headway when discovered that there was no hope of saving the building. However, a brigade of ten firemen from the local department went to the scene and through their efforts the barn and other outhouses were saved, although before the local fire fighters arrived on the scene all of the buildings constituting the plant appeared to be doomed.

The fire was discovered by a workman who had gone to the reservoir, situated about 200 feet above the level of the building, who saw smoke coming from beneath the metal roof. He gave the alarm and an investigation of the premises showed that the entire attic was in flames and they were burning with such rapidity as to indicate that the fire started several hours before it was discovered.

**No Insurance.**

No insurance was carried on the building and the loss of the structure will fall heavily upon the management of the institution. The building, the furniture, clothing and a recently installed boiler which were destroyed were valued at approximately $10,000, which is a total loss. Only a few weeks ago, the management ordered that a water system be constructed for the protection of the plant and the piping had just been placed. The reservoir was completed Saturday afternoon

Seeing that the main building was doomed, the firemen immediately located the pipe line and dug up a portion of it, digging a hole at such a distance from the building as to enable them to secure water without being burned. Securing their water in this manner, they constituted an active bucket brigade and protected the buildings which were saved.

The water came through a pipe line which ran beneath the main building and it was the novel experience of those who battled against the flames to fight fire with boiling water. As the water passed beneath the burning building, it was heated to the boiling point and no time was afforded for the firemen to allow it to cool before throwing it upon the flames. The task was an unpleasant one, many of those who participated in the fight against the fire being burned as water was thrown upon them. None of them was burned seriously, however.

Considerable excitement was created when a boiler, which was installed in the main building only a comparatively short time ago, exploded, sending burning embers to all parts of the premises.

Before the flames reached the first and second floors and the basement it was possible to save almost all of the furniture in those parts of the building. However, the contents of the third floor were lost. The tower fell in shortly after the blaze was discovered and together with the explosion of the boiler was responsible for the rapidity with which the flames spread to all sections of the structure.

Seeing that the outhouses were in danger, members of the corps of instructors advised Chief James H. Wood, of the blaze, and ten men from the station house went to the scene in the police patrol, carrying chemical extinguishers, hooks and ladders. Ernest Davis went to the fire sometime before the laddies left the central station, making the trip on his motorcycle. He went from the Southern passenger station to the fire, a distance of about five miles, in seven minutes.

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When the members of the fire department arrived at the scene, they found that the reservoir was being filled by the use of the gasoline engine, but the hydrants had been stationed so close to the building that it was impossible to use them. They were so hot that the men could not bear the heat and the hose would have been useless had it been attached to them. point and no time was afforded for the firemen to allow it to cool before throwing it upon the flames. The task was an unpleasant one, many of those who participated in the fight against the fire being burned as water was thrown upon them. None of them was burned seriously, however.

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# WEST ASHEVILLE TO HAVE MORE WATER LINES

The board of aldermen of West Asheville, in regular session last night voted to add 2000 more feet to the water lines that are now being put down in that town, and the matter of adding 6000 more feet of water lines was taken under consideration by the aldermanic body, to be decided upon at another meeting.

As stated yesterday afternoon, the water and sewer systems that were ordered under the original contracts will be completed this week and then the work on the additional lines will be started, and it is thought that they will be completed in a very short time.

Several minor matters were brought before the board at the meeting last night.

Asheville Gazette News November 11, 1914

# BINGHAM HAS HAD A VERY BRILLIANT SEASON

## Won From the Georgia Picked Team Yesterday 18 to 0— Victorious Every Game.

The Bingham football team closed one of the most brilliant seasons in the history of the school yesterday afternoon, when, at Oates park, a picked team from the University of Georgia went down in defeat before the cadets by the score of 18 to 0. Nearly 500 people saw the game, it being one of the largest crowds that has attended a football game in this city in many years.

The game yesterday was by far the best of the season and the playing was fast, with every inch of the ground hotly contested, although the cadets outplayed and outgeneraled the visitors on almost every play. The members of the Bingham team showed by their daring and ability to gain ground that they had been receiving much good training during the past few weeks.

The record of the Bingham team for the season is one of continued victories, yesterday's game being the seventh played during the season, and every one was won by the local team.

Clean and fast playing featured yesterday's game, with dull moments few and far between. The local boys went into the game determined to win and never once did this confidence in their ability to win lag for a moment.

Hester of the cadets was one of the stars of the game. His playing was the best he has done this season and he took chances that looked almost impossible, and time and again succeeded in putting them over.

The line-up of the team follows:

| Bingham. | Position. | Georgia |
|---|---|---|
| Dennis | Left End | Dedinger |
| Parrish | Left Tackle | O'Kelly |
| Bule | Left Guard | Holland |
| Davis | Center | Nash |
| Tholl | Right Guard | Neville |
| Jamison | Right Tackle | Hall |
| Allen | Right End | Floyd |
| Cromwell | Quarter | Mobley |
| Hooks | Left Half | Winn |
| Hester | Right Half | Riley |
| Craig | Fullback | Hutchison |

Summary: Lynch, referee. Koon, umpire. Brown, head linesman. Time of quarters, twelve minutes. Substitutes, Patterson for Floyd, Ellars for Holland, Ryman for Dedinger, Nelson for Riley, Blount for Davis, Drake for Allen, Elston for Hooks.

Asheville Gazette News November 27, 1914

# MILK DELIVERED HERE IN SANITARY BOTTLES

## Anandale Dairy Begins Innovation of Delivering Milk in Paper Receptacles.

Asheville, it is stated, is the first town in the south where consumers of milk can get that product delivered to them from the dairy in a sanitary paper bottle. This innivation has been begun by the Anandale dairy, and the patrons of this dairy are now receiving their milk daily in paper bottles that are used but once and then destroyed.

D. E. Penland, manager of this dairy, stated today that he has just commenced using these bottles and that he believes that their use will prove generally satisfactory, although he is not yet able to make any definite statement regarding the matter. He believes that the sanitary bottles will prove popular, because all danger of the spread of disease through the use of unsanitary bottles will be eliminated.

Asheville Gazette News December 12, 1914

# PRETTY LITTLE GIRL IS CHRISTMAS GIFT

## MR. AND MRS. FORD ADOPT CHILD FOUND ON DOORSTEP.

### Will Rear the Baby Who Has Been Named Virginia May Ford—Adoption Papers Signed.

Clerk of the Superior court John H. Cathey yesterday made the presentation of a real live Christmas gift to Mr. and Mrs. Albert L. Ford, of West Asheville, awarding them the possession of the pretty little girl who was found on the doorsteps of their home during the early part of May. Mr. and Mrs. Ford have made many efforts to learn the identity of the little baby, but have been unable to locate the parents and they decided a short time ago to adopt her. Applying yesterday to Clerk Cathey for the possession of the child, the court official ordered that their wishes be realized according to law, signing the adoption papers which gave Mr. and Mrs. Ford legal possession of the baby.

Virginia May has been selected as the name of the little girl and she will be reared as Virginia May Ford. She is an attractive child and the news that she has been adopted will be received with interest by friends of Mr. and Mrs. Ford. It will be equally as interesting perhaps, to the unknown mother of the little girl who placed the child on the doorsteps with the request that she be reared in the Ford home.

Mr. Ford was called to the door of his residence in West Asheville in May by the child's cries and arriving on the front porch, in the middle of a pretty summer night, he discovered a basket. Opening it, the little girl was found to be smiling upon the man who was to adopt her and surrounding her were quantities of clothing and food. Efforts to learn who deposited the basket were made immediately but they proved futile and the mother has kept her identity carefully concealed.

The clothing indicated that the mother had made ample provision for the care of the child for several months and the little girl is bright and happy. She soon became accustomed to her new home and although she has steadily refused to give out any information as to where she came from, she appears to be delighted with the announcement that she is to be kept at the home at which she was left months ago.

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# INTEREST IN THE FAIR INSUFFICIENT

## Directors of Association Call a Meeting of Stockholders to Discuss Plans.

The directors of the Western North Carolina Fair association have called a meeting of the stockholders of the association, to be held in the commissioners' room at the county court house next Wednesday morning, for the purpose of discussing plans for the present year. It is declared in this formal call that insufficient support has been given the organization by those who should be the most directly interested; and, further, that unless this support can be obtained in sufficient measure to assure extensive agricultural and livestock exhibits at the next fair, the existence of the association may as well be terminated.

The directors signing this call are R. C. Crowell, E. D. Weaver, R. D. Buckner, W. B. Williamson, W. P. Whittington, J. A. Nichols, W. R. Whitson, Guy Weaver, C. Sawyer, A. E. Swayne, W. J. Cocke, C. R. Moore, B. Harris and C. A. Klutz. Their letter to the stockholders follows:

"By reason of insufficient support on the part of those who should be interested, the work undertaken by this association has not accomplished the results that should have been realized. This in connection with the extremely unfavorable weather conditions which prevailed during our 1914 fair week, has caused the board of directors to decide that unless provision can be made for representative livestock and agricultural exhibits this year the existence of the association may as well be terminated.

"In order to secure an expression of view by those whom we must rely upon for co-operation, an urgent request is being extended to all citizens and particularly to farmers, stock raisers and fruit growers to attend the annual stockholders' meeting which will be held in the county commissioners' rooms at 11 o'clock Wednesday morning, January 13.

"Trusting that you will be present and will use your influence in arranging for a continuance of the important work which should be performed by this association, we are."

Asheville Gazette News January 9, 1915

# WISH TO INTEREST FARMERS IN FAIR

## Continuation of W. N. C. Fair Here to Depend Largely on This Interest.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Western North Carolina Fair association was held in the commissioners' room at the county court house yesterday, President R. C. Crowell presiding. The meeting was called to order at 11 o'clock, and lasted until about 1:30, there being a large number of stockholders and others interested in an annual fair in Asheville present.

The object of the meeting was primarily to determine whether the fair is to be continued here as an annual institution, there having been quite a bit of dissatisfaction expressed lately that the people of the section have not given it proper support in the past. There was a long discussion of the matter today from every viewpoint, and it was finally decided to name President Crowell and E. D. Weaver as a committee of two to name persons in every township of the county to make a canvass among the farmers and enlist their interest in taking stock in the association. The subscriptions are to be taken conditional upon $1500 being raised in this manner.

It was then decided to call another meeting here within the next 60 days and hear reports on the success of this work. If sufficient interest has been aroused, the fair will be continued. It is believed that the undertaking will be altogether successful, as the farmers are anxious to have an annual fair here; and it is thought that they will be still more interested after securing stock in the association.

The annual report by Secretary-Treasurer D. Harris was read today by Acting Secretary Guy Weaver, in Mr. Harris' absence.

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# TWO ARE HURT AS THEY JUMP FROM BUILDING DOOMED BY FLAMES

## Colonel and Mrs. P. G. Bowman Seriously Injured Making Escape From Handsome Home, Strawberry Hill, Destroyed by Fire Last Night.

Their escape cut off by flames before their peril was discovered, Colonel P. G. Bowman and Mrs. Bowman, narrowly escaped being burned to death after Mrs. Bowman had fallen and Colonel Bowman had been forced to jump from the second story of their beautiful country residence, Strawberry Hill, which was destroyed by fire shortly before 12 o'clock last night.

Finding his escape by the stairway rendered impossible by the rush of flames from below, Colonel Bowman attempted to lower his wife down by use of bedclothing, but her hands slipped and she fell to the ground beneath, breaking her right leg. Colonel Bowman jumped immediately from the second story and fell close by where his wife lay; in the fall he was so injured that he could not move himself nor aid Mrs. Bowman. Both lay nearly an hour almost within reach of the burning timbers of the house.

### Neighbors Come.

After what seemed an age to the imperiled sufferers neighbors finally came and hastened to call a physician. Dr. J. O. Anderson was the first to get to the spot and he placed Mrs. Bowman in his automobile and hurried to the Mission hospital, where it was found that her right leg had been broken as a result of the fall. Shortly afterward Noland, Brown and company's ambulance, which had been called by telephone, arrived and Colonel Bowman was immediately taken to Meriwether hospital, where it was found he had a dislocated knee, fracture of several bones in the feet, and a large number of bruises about the body.

At the time the fire broke out, about 11:10 p. m., Mrs. Bowman was sitting up reading, and her first warning was a rush of smoke and flames up the stairway, which took the route, probably because it offered the only opening. This was heightened by a draft of hot air from the cellar where the furnace was located, and from which the fire is supposed to have started.

When Mrs. Bowman fell from the end of the improvised rope on which her husband hoped to let her safely to the ground it was just 11:10; Colonel Bowman jumped immediately and both were on the ground practically unable to move from that time until 11:50. The fire was discovered by the cook who tried to warn the occupants of the house in which were only Colonel and Mrs. Bowman. The servant was returning from Asheville, when she saw the blaze.

After the alarm was given a crowd of nearly 200 people went out from West Asheville to the burning house, but neither they nor the West Asheville fire department, which responded to the alarm, were able to do anything to prevent the destruction of the house and its valuable contents. This was due to the fact that the house was located nearly a mile from the end of the car line in West Asheville and beyond the reach of the water lines.

The house which was valued at $25,000 was partially covered by insurance. It was built in 1890 by W. D. Hoagland of Chicago, Ill., and was originally planned as a country club, but after its construction Mr. Hoagland used it as a residence for his family for about ten years. It was then sold to Dr. Winters, of Philadelphia, who occupied it for more than two years. Its last occupant was Colonel Bowman, who came to Asheville recently from Birmingham, Ala.

The destruction of the house was complete and it was impossible to save any portion of the furnishings.

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# HOUSE BURNS WHILE OCCUPANTS ARE AWAY

Fire which broke out about 11 o'clock last night practically destroyed a six-room house at West Asheville owned by H. D. Baker and occupied by W. Bacon and family.

A call for assistance was sent to the Asheville fire department, and Firemen John Colvin and Ernest Davis went out on a motorcycle and helped the West Asheville companies in getting the water on the house.

The fire is supposed to have started from a grate in which a fire had been left burning. Mr. and Mrs. Bacon and their two children were in Asheville at the time the fire broke out, having come to the city to see "the movies."

As no one was in the house at the time the blaze was discovered, it had made considerable headway before the alarm was turned in. The building was located within a block of the West Asheville fire department. The house was valued at $1 200 and was partly insured.

April 13, 1915 Asheville Citizen

DNESDAY, MAY 12, 1915.

# HOMINY ROAD WILL BE IMPROVED NEXT FALL

**Roads Now Under Construction Will Be Completed Before West Asheville Highway Work Begins.**

Chairman W. E. Johnson, of the board of county commissioners announced yesterday that the board had acted favorably on the request of the West Asheville aldermen and other residents of that town who asked that the Hominy road be resurfaced with bitulithic from West Asheville to Sulphur Springs at a cost of approximately $25,000. In making the announcement, Mr. Johnson pointed out that the county commissioners would not undertake the improvement of the road until next fall after the Weaverville road and other highways now under construction are completed.

The expense of resurfacing, it was stated, will have to be borne in part by the town of West Asheville, as the road lies wholly within an incorporated town. Mr. Johnson stated that he did not think that the fact that the road is in an incorporated township would have any legal bearing on the right of the county to come to its assistance in the construction of the road in question. The West Asheville board of aldermen and residents of the western and northwestern sections of the county were much pleased by the action of the commissioners.

# NEGRO CHARGED WITH STEALING CHICKENS

**West Asheville Police Arrest Henry Brown, Colored, Who is Held for Superior Court.**

Believed by the police to have stolen more than 200 chickens from the henroosts of residents of West Asheville, Henry Brown, colored, fourteen years old, was arraigned yesterday afternoon before Magistrate G. W. Fairchild and bound over to the next term of Superior court on the charge of the larceny of fourteen fowls from Pink Yarborough Friday night.

When arrested by Chief of Police J. H. Sumner, of West Asheville, the boy admitted that he had taken the chickens and charged that Leo Stuart, colored, had assisted him in looting the roost. After their raid, the negroes sold seven of the chickens at Moody's meat market. Their indiscreet attempts to dispose of the chickens to other persons led to their undoing as they were reported to the police.

Chief Sumner said that the Brown boy confessed to him that he had stolen chickens all last summer, that he was assisted by Stuart and that they had disposed of the chickens by taking them to Craggy, Alexander and other distant points. More than 200 chickens disappeared mysteriously last summer from the henneries of West Asheville, and the officers believe that they have about the cleverest and most persistent young thief in this section of the state in captivity.

Asheville Citizen June 9, 1915

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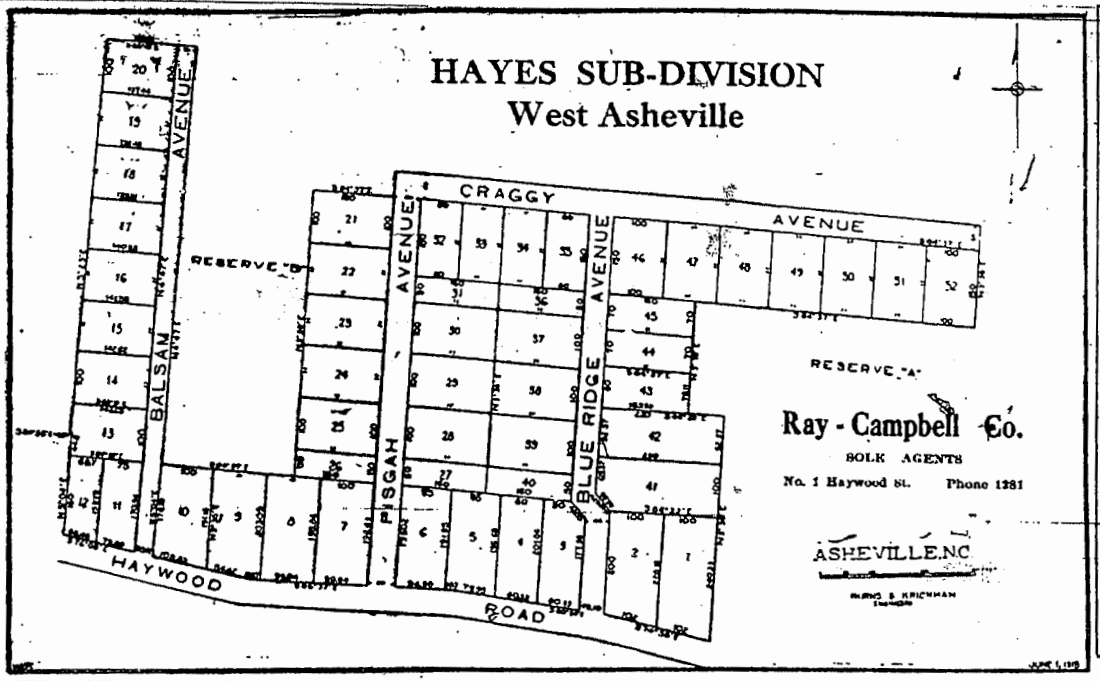


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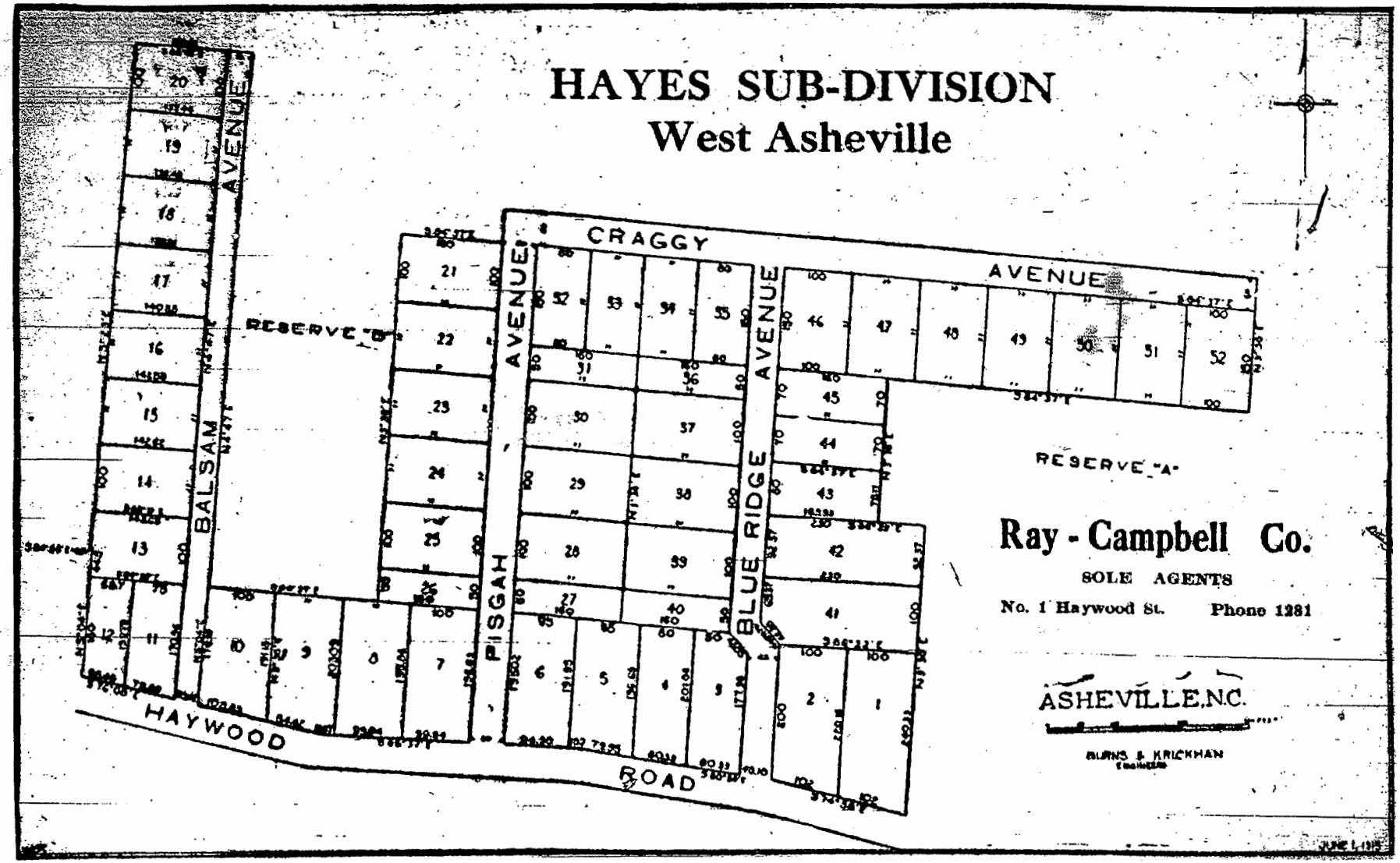


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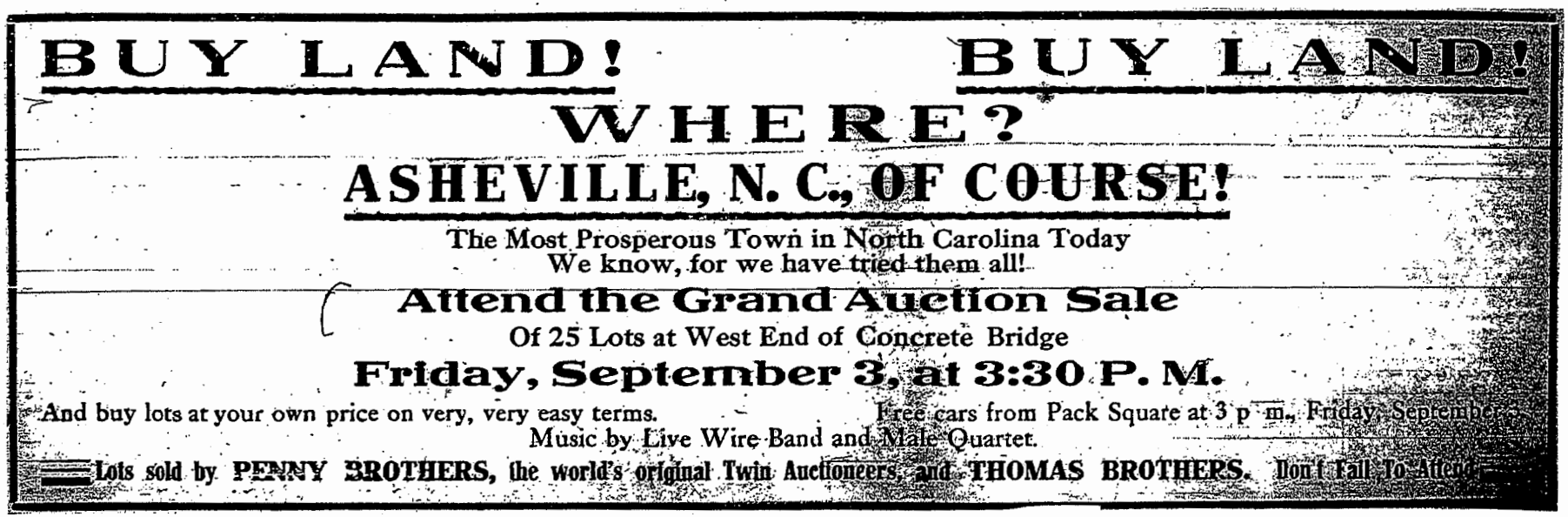
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Asheville Citizen September 1915

# COMMUNITY MEETING TO CLEAN UP SCHOOL

**Patrons, Friends and Pupils of Upper Grades to Assist in Putting West Asheville School in Sanitary State**

The West Asheville graded school will open Tuesday September 7. In order to put the school building in the best possible sanitary condition, a community meeting of friends and patrons of the institution has been called for next Friday at 2 o'clock at the school

It is proposed to make this the occasion for a general clean-up not only of the building but also the school grounds the patrons, especially the ladies, are requested to come armed with brooms, dust rags and other cleaning utensils.

In addition to the parents the school authorities ask that all the pupils in the high school grades attend the meeting. At the same hour a meeting of the faculty will be held for the purpose of formulating plans for the new year.

The teaching staff of the school for the new year consists of the following: W. R. Chambers, principal; R. P. Edwards, Miss Sue Sams, Miss Bonnie Sams, Miss Anna L. Gaston, Miss Bonnie Shuford, Miss Bessie Burleson and Miss Luke Dixon.

**Asheville Citizen September 2, 1915**

# ROTARIANS TO VISIT WEST ASHEVILLE FARM

## WILL STUDY METHODS AT FRED KENT'S TRACT.

### No Formal Action is Taken on Park Question, Although an Extended Discussion is Held.

Members of the local Rotary club yesterday arranged to go to the farm of Fred Kent, at West Asheville next Friday for their weekly meeting, being desirous of familiarizing themselves with the work which is being done along scientific lines by Mr Kent. The latter invited the Rotarians to make the trip sometime ago but upon the date named for the journey illness in the family of the farmer-Rotarian caused a postponement. Mr. Kent has been doing splendid work on his farm and is desirous of showing the members of the Rotary club just how he has secured results. He believes that Asheville's future prosperity depends, in a large measure, upon the development of the surrounding country along agricultural lines.

Much time was spent yesterday in the discussion of the park question which the Rotarians have been considering for sometime past. With Herbert C. Allen leading the movement to place the Rotarians on record as favoring the purchase of the proposed park site on Pearson's drive and Thomas J. Harkins opposing any action which would indicate that the Rotarians favor a larger municipal indebtedness, the club finally decided to take no action relative to parks at this time. Many points were brought out in the arguments for and against definite action by the Rotarians, a number of the members of the club believing that action in behalf of the purchase of a municipal park would injure the chances of carrying a bond election here for the construction of a new high school building.

The idea of organizing a syndicate or holding company for the purpose of purchasing a park was given some consideration, although this phase of the question, like the others, received no formal expression from the members of the club.

A good attendance was recorded at yesterday's meeting which was held at the Langren hotel and at which much enthusiasm was in evidence.

**Asheville Citizen September 3, 1915**

# WORK BEGINS AT WEST ASHEVILLE SCHOOL

SOCIETIES ORGANIZED AMONG BOYS AND GIRLS.

Recently Formed Athletic Association Will Have Charge of Sports During the Coming Year.

The West Asheville graded school opened last Tuesday with an enrollment of 618 pupils, the largest number in the history of the school. To handle this large number of pupils, there are only eight teachers available and for this reason it has been necessary to put the primary pupils on part time in their school work.

In this department one section reports in the morning while the second section reports in the afternoon. While this system of relays is not satisfactory, the proposition of accommodating the children of school age who, under the compulsory school laws, must be in school, can be provided for in no other way, until more room and more teachers are furnished. It is the belief of the school officials that this plan cannot be worked successfully for any great length of time and eventually bonds will be voted for a new school building.

Outside activities at the West Asheville school got under full headway during the past week. Friday afternoon two literary societies were organized, one for the boys to be known as the North State Literary society, and one for the girls for which a name has not yet been selected.

The following officers were elected for the boys' society: Wade Steelman, president; Hiram Bryson, vice-president; Bert Starnes, secretary; Ed Winslow, treasurer, and Roy Steelman, monitor. The girls' society elected Miss Nell Reynolds president and Miss Irene Logan secretary.

A school athletic association has been organized and will have control of the financing and maintenance of the tennis, track and basketball teams of the school. The officers of the association are Herman Bryson, president; Clyde Westall, secretary, and Dewey Harrison, treasurer.

**Asheville Citizen September 13, 1915**

# NO FAIR WILL BE HELD DURING COMING FALL

## FAIR ASSOCIATION ABANDONS ANNUAL EXHIBITION HERE.

### Organization Hasn't the Funds Needed to Construct Buildings and Arrange for the Fair.

For the first time in several years Asheville will be without a fair this year, President R. C. Crowell, of the Western North Carolina Fair association, yesterday authorizing the announcement that no attempt will be made during the approaching fall to conduct the annual exhibition at this city. Since the last annual fair at Riverside park, the buildings owned and used by the association have been destroyed by fire and the association hasn't the funds which would be necessary to construct buildings for the housing of the different exhibits.

Although elaborate preparations were made for last year's fair and the exhibition was a creditable one the weather during the time of the exhibition was such as to keep the attendance at a minimum and the organization closed its fiscal year with a deficit facing the stockholders. As a result of losses sustained at that time, those who had purchased stock in the fair association do not feel willing to put up the additional funds which would be necessary to erect buildings and pay the other expenses incident to holding a fair during the approaching season.

The directors of the organization held a meeting a short time ago when the matter was discussed at some length and it was practically unanimously decided not to undertake a fair at Asheville this fall. It is stated that the debts of the association incurred in the past have been paid and the cancellation of the bills has required all of the available funds of the fair association.

A number of residents of this section of the state have expressed a willingness to subscribe to additional stock in the organization but the size of the sum which would be required to hold another fair here is such that the directors do not feel that it would be wise to undertake the proposition.

Although no fair will be held at Asheville in 1915 there will be no dearth of this class of exhibitions in this section of the state. A number of the western counties of the state have arranged to hold their annual exhibitions and have announced the dates of their fairs. Residents of Buncombe who had planned to place exhibits at the annual event, conducted here will find that classes are opened to them at a number of towns of Western North Carolina at which fairs will be held and Buncombe exhibits will be found in abundance at the various exhibits of this section of the state and at the annual state fair which will be held at Raleigh.

**Asheville Citizen September 13, 1915**

# TELEPHONE COMPANY TO RELOCATE LINES

At the meeting of the board of aldermen of West Asheville last night the Asheville Telephone and Telegraph company was given permission to relocate its lines and poles within the corporate limits of that community.

The long-distance lines will be run across Henry's hill and thence along the Hazel creek road, while the local lines will have to be moved to the sidewalk on account of the widening of Main street.

**Asheville Citizen September 15, 1915**

# POLITICAL POT BOILS AT WEST ASHEVILLE

## MASS MEETING WILL BE HELD TONIGHT.

### Ticket Will Be Named By Voters of the Municipality at the Political Rally.

With the beginning of fall, the political pot is boiling at West Asheville and residents of that town are preparing for the campaign of the next few weeks. Some interesting developments are promised between now and the time of the election early in November, and the voters of the municipality are preparing for the approaching campaign.

The first political meeting of the campaign was held a few nights ago, when arrangements were made for the holding of a political mass meeting at the hall of the Odd Fellows tonight at 8 o'clock. At that time, if possible, a ticket will be placed in the field which will prove satisfactory to the members of all parties and factions, and the gathering is expected to draw a large attendance of the voters.

The mass meeting is called with the hope of eliminating the necessity for a primary for the selection of candidates for participation in the approaching election. If it is possible to select a ticket tonight, which will prove satisfactory to the voters of the town it will not be necessary for them to go to the expense of holding a primary, and with that end in view it is stated that all parties will be given recognition at tonight's meeting.

If there is no possibility of deciding upon a satisfactory ticket at tonight's meeting, of course, a primary will be called for some date during the approaching month. Rumor has it, however, that the ticket which is named tonight will bear the names of the officers who will serve during the approaching two years. The caucus of a few nights ago was well-attended, and it is expected that the vast majority of the voters will be present at tonight's political rally.

During the time that they have been in office the present mayor and the five members of the aldermanic board have served without remuneration, agreeing to serve during the first two years that the town was an incorporated municipality without pay for their services. The near future, however, is expected to see the naming of salaries for the municipal officers, it being stated that their duties are such that they can not serve in the future without small salaries for their labors, regardless of whom the voters select to fill the positions of mayor and aldermen. This fact is expected to add spice to the campaign, and it is believed that tonight's meeting will be an interesting session.

**Asheville Citizen September 24, 1915**

# TICKET TO BE NAMED AT A TOWN PRIMARY

## MASS MEETING METHOD REJECTED BY VOTERS

### West Asheville Citizens Will Form a Board of Trade At An Early Date.

At a mass meeting of the voters of West Asheville last night, the citizens of that municipality decided to conduct a primary for the selection of a municipal ticket, and named a committee to take preliminary steps for the formation of a board of trade for the town. The decision to name the town ticket through primary rather than at the mass meeting followed short talks by A. E. Brown and W. E. Logan, in which both expressed the belief, that better results would be secured by the holding of a primary. The decision to call one for the election of the ticket was reached by an overwhelming vote, the vast majority of those in attendance upon the meeting expressing the belief that this is the best way of getting the sentiment of the voters.

Ten days will be allowed the candidates in which to enter the primary election and it will be open to the members of all political parties. The books probably will be opened during the early part of the approaching week and will be closed ten days from the date on which they are opened. Immediately following the primary, plans will be made for the general election which is to be held in November when the terms of the mayor and the members of the present board of aldermen will expire.

Last night's meeting was a harmonious one and was attended by about 300 of the voters of the town who showed keen interest in the discussions and voted on every question submitted to the assembly. Each was interested in the outcome of the meeting and if last night's meeting is an indication, the primary will call for the casting of a heavy vote. R. M. Wells was elected chairman of the meeting and he performed the duties of that official in a satisfactory manner. Soon after the meeting was called to order it was stated that it was called with a view to adopting plans for the naming of a municipal ticket. Forecasts that the ticket would be selected last night and that all parties would be given recognition were shattered when strenuous opposition developed to such a method of selecting the candidates. Speakers argued that every voter of the municipality is entitled to express his choice regarding the candidates for office and it was claimed that a mass meeting is an unsatisfactory method of ascertaining the will of the voters as a whole. This opinion prevailed among those in attendance upon the meeting, as was evidenced when the vote was taken on the matter.

By reason of the fact that the incoming officers are expected to draw a salary for their labor, much interest attaches to the political situation at West Asheville and the friends of the candidates will get busy immediately in behalf of their favorites, it is expected. During the two years that West Asheville has been an incorporated municipality, the mayor and the board of aldermen have served without pay, agreeing when they were elected to take charge of the affairs of the town without any remuneration. They are empowered under the charter, however, to name their salaries and the amount of the salaries is expected to play an important part in the approaching campaign.

The decision of the citizens to organize a board of trade was reached following several discussions as to the needs for a civic organization to devote its energies to the welfare of West Asheville. A committee of twelve members was named to give the matter careful consideration and to make a recommendation as to the beginning of the organization's work. The methods of the Asheville board of trade will be studied by the residents of the town just west of the French Broad river and they will secure information pertaining to the formation of commercial organizations at smaller towns and cities throughout this and other states of the south.

**Asheville Citizen September 25, 1915**

THE ASHEVILLE CITIZEN.

# THIEVES EAT SUNDAY DINNER; GET JEWELRY

**Uninvited Guests Visit Home of W. F. Wagner, at West Asheville—No Arrests Made.**

Inconsiderate thieves entered the home of W. F. Wagner, who conducts a chicken farm in West Asheville, last Sunday while the family was attending church, and in addition to eating the Sunday dinner that had been prepared by Mrs. Wagner, ransacked the house from basement to garret in the search for valuables.

In addition to satisfying themselves with pies and custards and other seasonable delicacies, the thieves stole two watches, a stick pin, and a considerable quantity of clothing. Although the robbery was reported to the county authorities at once, and Steve Rogers' bloodhound was secured from Leicester and put on the trail which led to a negro shanty, no one has been arrested yet, as a search of the house by Sheriff J. M. Mitchell and Deputy William Wright, of West Asheville, did not reveal any of the stolen property. Although there were a large number of valuable chickens on the place, the thieves did not like the idea of embarrassing themselves with the fowls, it appears, as they refrained from stealing any.

The West Asheville and Leicester sections of the county have been greatly disturbed for the past several weeks by petty thieves and housebreakers, who take advantage of the absence of the owners to commit their depredations. Sunday is the favorite day and one rarely passes without a robbery.

Asheville Citizen September 29, 1915

# FOUR HELD IN CONNECTION WITH DEATH OF WEST ASHEVILLE BOY

## Charged That They Attempted to Cure Child By Prayer, Refusing Medical Attention—True Bills Against Three Defendants Returned.

Indictments having been returned against W. M. Embler and wife, Charles Plemons and Lewis Ramson, a colored preacher of a unique sect, by the Buncombe County grand jury for manslaughter in connection with the death from typhoid fever of Ezra Embler, the ten-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Embler, the four were arrested yesterday. The defendants named, it is charged, tried to cure the child by prayer and refused medical attention.

Upon recommendation of the solicitor, following their arrest by Deputy Sheriffs C. G. Lanning and L. E. Revis in West Asheville yesterday morning, the three white defendants were allowed to give bond in the sum of $500 for their appearance at the January term of Superior court. Ramson, being unable to furnish bond, was committed to the county jail.

According to the information received by the county authorities the little son of Mr. and Mrs. Embler suffered with typhoid fever at their home in West Asheville about two weeks ago and received no medical attention for about ten days.

Following complaints made to his office Sheriff E. M. Mitchell, accompanied by Judge J. C. Pritchard, visited the Embler home, and found that the reports of the methods which were being used to cure the child were correct, it is alleged. Plemons and the colored preacher, Ramson, it is charged, endeavored with the parents to cure the sick child by faith and prayers, which were almost continuous and greatly interfered with the work of the trained nurse, Miss Ida Johnson, who was engaged by the county to take charge of the sick child.

### Refused Admittance.

On the night of September 18 Miss Johnson went to the Embler home, but the parents refused, it is alleged, to allow her to come in. She was forced to seek Deputy Sheriff W. H. Wright, of West Asheville, who remained at the house for sometime to prevent her work being interfered with.

Ramson and Plemons, it is stated, were so loud in their prayers, that the nurse had to remonstrate with them several times. It is declared that the parents were converted to the faith cure following the visit of a man who conducted meetings in West Asheville for several days. They come from the Newfound section of the county. Plemons came to Asheville from Rutherford county, while Ramson has been a resident of Asheville for sometime. When arrested he told the officers he did not want an attorney and after being taken to jail, he continued to pray in a loud voice.

True bills have been returned by grand jury against Miss Myrtle Pressley, Martin Rickman and Ed Frady, charged with arson and blackmail in connection with the burning of the warehouse of D. P. Lance at Arden several weeks ago.

The chief sufferers at yesterday's session of Superior court were Fannie Alexander, who was given six months on a vagrancy charge; and Ella Moore, who was given a jail term of the same length on a larceny charge.

### Other Cases.

Asheville Citizen October 2, 1915

# W. ASHEVILLE TO HAVE BANK

## Charter Has Been Secured for Bank of West Asheville With Capital Stock of $10,000.

## G. D. CARTER WILL BE PRESIDENT, IS REPORT

### Institution Promoted by A. H. Miller, of Greer, S. C.—Organization Next Week—To Open in 30 Days.

The stupendous European war and the much talked-of financial stringencies resulting therefrom have caused no uneasiness in this particular section, as indicated by the announcement just made that a new bank is to open shortly in West Asheville. A charter for the institution has already been granted by the state, and it will be known as the Bank of West Asheville. It will have a capital stock of $10,000 and will probably open within the next 30 days. There will be a meeting of the stockholders here next week, when a board of directors and officers will be selected. It is reported that G. D. Carter will head the list of officers as president.

The promotion of this new banking institution was undertaken a short time ago by A. H. Miller of Greer S. C., who is interested in the banks at Fletcher and Clyde. Since Mr. Miller took the proposition up he has received the strong support of practically every business man in West Asheville and the amount of the capital stock is almost subscribed in full. The incorporators include a number of West Asheville's leading business men and with such co-operation among them the success of the institution seems to be assured even before plans are perfected for its opening.

Aside from the business of selecting directors and officers at the meeting of stockholders next week, arrangements will be made for fixtures and a building will be secured for the bank. Just as soon as the fixtures are received and can be installed the bank will open its doors for a general banking business.

West Asheville is one of the most thriving of Asheville's suburban towns, and during the last few years has experienced a most remarkable growth. The population of the town at present is estimated to be about 5,000. A building boom has been in progress for over a year now and realty values have gone up amazingly. The town has had a trolley service to Asheville for something over three years now, and numbers of men maintain their residences there and look after their business interests in Asheville. Work is now in progress in installing modern water and sewer systems, which will give the residents the advantage of Asheville city water, which is brought from the summit of Mount Mitchell, 18 miles away.

The little city across the French Broad, aside from possessing the combined advantages of both city and suburban life, is situated in close touch with one of Buncombe county's richest sections, the Hominy valley. Many of the residents of this section have found it more convenient and advantageous to transact business in West Asheville, and as a result the business of the town within the past few years has grown by leaps and bounds. A banking institution became a real necessity, and the manner in which the business men supported the proposition to open a bank there indicates very clearly that they have realized this need of the town. The scope of business transacted in the town will be greatly broadened by the opening of the bank and its opening will likewise serve to show the sound business conditions now existing there.

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October 6, 1915

# SPELLING CONTEST AT WEST ASHEVILLE

## SWANNANOA PREPARES FOR CONTESTS TOMORROW.

### Women's Betterment Society Formed By West Chapel Patrons—Honor Rolls Are Announced.

One of the recent events of interest among the students and patrons of the West Asheville graded school was the spelling contest conducted between the pupils and the members of the betterment association. The bee resulted in a victory for the betterment association, Dr. J. G. Anderson occupying the floor when the last student had failed to spell the word propounded. After the match, the members of the Women's Betterment association held a box supper, which was greatly enjoyed and which resulted in the raising of $50 for the employment of a janitor throughout the year. Miss Sue Sams was declared to be the most popular young lady in attendance upon the event, receiving the largest number of the votes cast. She is a member of the faculty of the school. Announcement was made to the effect that the first monthly meeting of the present year of the betterment association will be held next Monday night.

The enrollment at the West Asheville school is 638 and excellent work was done during the first week of the present year. A sanitary drinking fountain has been installed with a fund raised in a contest among three of the boys for a cash prize. Cortellou Collins, Harry Logan and Charles Starnes participated in the contest with Mr. Starnes declared the winner of the prize.

The honor roll for the first month is as follows: First grade, A—Virginia Drumheller, Edna Mitchell, Ruth Rogers, Margaret Brewer, James Reynolds, Charles Young, Arthur Worley, Teddy Fowler, Raymond Miller, Howard Stillman, Charles Jarrett and Loran Lanier. First grade, B—Louise Bishop, Elizabeth Brown, Mildred Ferguson, Ruby Hunter, Bertie Crook, Donna Ruth McKenzie, Irene Maney, Bertha Randall, Beulah Shipley, Keiran Carter, Marium Edwards, John Kiser, Fred Ellege, Dora Crook, Bennett Joyner, Dene Starnes and Howard Thomas. Second grade—Herbert Christopher, Morris Gudger, Homer Howell, Max Hider, Fred Birgey, Robert Whittaker, Dorothy Blackwell, Dottie Blackwell, Elva Hunter, Doris London, Lillie Moore and Donnie Davis. Third grade—Nestee Edwards, Flossie Sams, Vera Brown, Margaret Jarrett, Helen Kiser, Sadie Miller, Lois Guest, Jesse Smith, Cornelia Campbell, Francis Campbell, Ella Anderson, Bessie Ingle, Helen Spivey, James Deaton, Lester Carter, Glee Crook and Lequa Kuykendall. Fourth grade—Mattiemill Spivey, Gertrude Mitchell, Jesse Webb, Janette Glenn, Cora Davis, Florence Ingle, Elva Case, Francis Johnson, Elva Creasman, Roeby Wilson and Edwin Wilson. Fifth grade—James Campbell, Sidney Ballard, John Kille, Nellie Patterson, Pearl Parker, Myrtle Harris and Alva Burnette. Sixth grade—Florence Parris, Helena Dermid, Edith Robinson, Irene Nicholson, Velt Sams, Morris Jarrett, Clyde Shelton, Earl Drake and Raymond McCall. Seventh grade—Cortelyou Roberts. Eighth grade—Margie Cook and Clyde Westall. Tenth grade—Wade Stellman, Nell Reynolds, Ella Morrison, Irene Logan and Zula Fairchild.

# TOWN IS DISTRICTED FOR COMING PRIMARY

**West Asheville Board of Aldermen Divided Town Into Four Wards at Meeting Held Last Night.**

In preparation for the primary for the choosing of candidates for municipal offices, the West Asheville board of aldermen met last night and divided the corporation into four wards with the following boundaries: First ward—All territory north of the street car line and east of Buffalo street. Second ward—All territory west of Buffalo street and north of Haywood road. Third ward—All territory south of the car line and east of Main street. Fourth ward—All territory west of Main street and south of Haywood road to the corporation line.

At the last meeting of the board of alderman the registration places were designated and the hours fixed. October 16 was chosen as the date for the holding of the primary.

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# J. L. CROOK ENTERS THE RACE FOR MAYOR

## RAN AGAINST MAYOR BRIGHT IN LAST CAMPAIGN.

### Deposits Required of Candidates For Expenses of West Asheville Primary—Two Aldermanic Entries.

That Mayor A. L. Bright, completing his first term as chief executive of the town of West Asheville, will be opposed by the same candidate who ran against him in the election of two years ago, was shown yesterday when J. L. Crook formally entered by depositing a fee of $5 with the clerk of the aldermanic board, J. N. Jarrett, and asking that his name be placed on the ticket. Two candidates for membership on the board of aldermen yesterday formally entered the race, and the indications are that the approaching campaign will not lack interest. The two residents of the town who are asking for aldermanic places are F. Zimmerman and C. W. Mooday. Rumors of other entries are plentiful in the town just west of the French Broad, and the residents of the municipality are promised a variety of candidates before the entry books are closed.

The primary is non-partisan and all residents of West Asheville who have the inclination to run for office and are possessed of $5 are invited to call on Mr. Jarrett and announce their plans and receive a receipt for their money. The ticket for the general election in November will be selected in the primary. While it has the support of the present officers of the town, the primary will not be conducted under the auspices of the municipality, being called by a mass meeting, which was held a short time ago. Mr. Jarrett has been named to receive the entry fees and to make preparations for the primary. From the sum realized from the deposits of the candidates the expenses of the primary will be paid. If there is a surplus it will be divided equally among those who put up the money for the expenses of the campaign.

The expenses of the general election, as required by law, will be paid from the treasury of the municipality and will be conducted under the provisions of the enactment incorporating the town of West Asheville.

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# G. O. CARTER ENTERS THE RACE FOR MAYOR

## IS THIRD WEST ASHEVILLE MAYORALTY CANDIDATE.

### An Even Dozen Citizens Are Now Seeking Positions On the Board of Aldermen.

The entrance of G. O. Carter to the mayor's race added considerable interest to the West Asheville political situation yesterday, Mr. Carter's formal entry being made with Clerk J. N. Jarrett, of the West Asheville aldermanic board, by the candidate. With his entrance it was announced that a vigorous campaign will be waged in his behalf. He is the third candidate to ask that his name be placed on the ticket for mayor, Mayor A. L. Bright and J. L. Crook entering the race several days ago.

Mr. Carter has been mentioned as a probable candidate for some time past, and his entry was not altogether unexpected. Like Mr. Bright and Mr. Crook, he has been a resident of the town for the past several years, and the three men who are in the race for chief executive now are popular. Regardless of whether any other resident of the town asks for the position of mayor, it is regarded as a certainty that the fight for this position will be a hard one.

Mr. Carter's formal entry brings the number of candidates now in the race for municipal positions in West Asheville up to fifteen. Three of them are seeking the place of mayor, while an even dozen citizens of the community are asking for election to membership on the aldermanic board, which is made up of a resident of each of the four wards of the town and an alderman-at-large.

That each of the fifteen men in the race at the present time is determined to make a fight for the position which he seeks is indicated by the methods of campaigning, which are in vogue as the youthful town. Voters are being besieged to give their support to various candidates and many arguments are being put forth with a view to winning support for the men who have entered the race. The campaign, however, is free from personalities and the friends of the candidates are proceeding on the basis that every man who wants to run for office is entitled to enter and to ask for support. Every campaign along such lines as will leave no bitterness when the race is settled and the successful candidates are announced.

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# MUNICIPAL TICKET IS AN EXTENDED ONE

## REGISTRATION AND ENTRY BOOKS HAVE CLOSED.

### Three of the Members of the Present Aldermanic Board Are Retiring —The Ticket.

Many of the citizens of West Asheville yesterday had their names place don the registration books of the mu- to participate in the non-partisan primary which is to be held next Saturday in order that they may vote in the contest to be held for the purpose of selecting tickets which will be entered in the general election next month. With six offices to be filled, the voters of the town will select their tickets from a list of seventeen candidates, the vast majority of whom are new entrants in the West Asheville political field.

The list of candidates from which the voters will choose their officers for the approaching two years is as follows:

For Mayor—Mayor A. L. Bright, J. L. Crook and G. D. Carter.

For alderman from the first ward —H. E. Hames, E. W. Roberts and F. Zimmerman.

For alderman from the second ward—C. M. Dills, George W. Fairchild and F. Bert Ingle.

For alderman from the third ward —W. R. Carter, J. D. Dermid, George W. Jenkins and J. E. Joyner, Sr.

For alderman from the fourth ward—C. M. Johnson, J. C. Penland and C. W. Moody.

For alderman-at-large—Dr. J. G. Anderson.

Although yesterday was the last day for the candidates to enter with Clerk J. N. Jarrett, of the West Asheville aldermanic board, no additional office-seekers took advantage of the opportunity to enter the present municipal race. Of the large number of candidates whose names will be found on the tickets in the primary, but three are connected with the town in an official capacity now. They are Mayor A. L. Bright and Aldermen C. M. Dills and J. C. Penland. Retiring members of the board who will make no efforts to succeed themselves are Aldermen E. B. Atkinson, J. M. Miller and W. V. Felmet. For a number of weeks, Mr. Atkinson was spoken of as a probable candidate for mayor and no great surprise would have been exhibited yesterday had he placed his headgear in the ring. However, he, like the two other retiring members of the board, states that he has no desire to retain his official connection with the municipality upon the expiration of his present term.

Now that the ticket is completed, the voters of the town will spend a busy week hearing the arguments of the candidates and their friends and those who are in the race will be called upon to put forth strenuous efforts. But one candidate, Dr. J. G. Anderson, is unopposed and while he is assured of membership on the incoming board of aldermen all of the other candidates will be called upon to work hard for the positions which they are seeking. The members of the present administration, in compliance with the general understanding at the time of their election, have filled their positions without pay, agreeing to devote as much time as necessary to the affairs of the town without drawing on the municipal treasury. However, the mayor and the members of the incoming board will name salaries for themselves, it is expected, in that the duties of the various offices have increased considerably

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# WEST ASHEVILLE IS READY FOR PRIMARY

The primary polls for the choosing of candidates for the offices of mayor and the board of aldermen of West Asheville will be opened tomorrow morning from 7 a. m. to 7 p. m.

Although J. E. Joyner, candidate for the board of aldermen from the third ward has withdrawn from the race, there still remain sixteen candidates in the race for the various municipal offices. Formal announcement of Mr. Joyner's action was made yesterday.

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# WEST ASHEVILLE VOTERS NAME TICKET FOR GENERAL ELECTION

## Non-Partisan Primary Conducted By Voters of th Municipality Yesterday—Mayor Bright Is Eliminated From Race—The Vote.

In spite of their intense interest in the contest and the heavy vote which was cast in the primary, voters of West Asheville yesterday selected their candidates for office in the general election to be held November 16, in an orderly manner and without undue excitement. Mayor A. L. Bright, who has served as mayor during the first two years of the incorporated town, was eliminated from the race to succeed himself when his opposing candidates polled a greater number of votes and C. M. Dills, a present member of the board of aldermen, will be retired from the municipal governing body. The only present municipal official whose name will appear on the ticket in the general election is Alderman J. C. Penland, who led the ticket in yesterday's primary.

The official vote, as reported by Clerk J. N. Jarrett, of the West Asheville aldermanic board last night, following the receipt of the returns from all of the wards, was as follows:

For Mayor—J. L. Crook, 102; A. L. Bright, 96; G. D. Carter, 109. Run-off between Mr. Carter and Mr. Crook.

For Alderman, First Ward—F. Zimmerman, 60; E. W. Roberts, 145; H. E. Haines, 102. Run-off between Mr. Roberts and Mr. Haines.

For Alderman, Second Ward—C. M. Dills, 66; G. W. Fairchild, 99; L. Bert Ingle, 135. Run-off between Mr. Fairchild and Mr. Ingle.

For Alderman, Third Ward—J. D. Dermid, 95; G. W. Jenkins 99; W. R. Carter, 114. Run-off between Mr. Jenkins and Mr. Carter.

For Alderman, Fourth Ward—C. W. Moody, 84; J. C. Penland, 149; O. M. Johnson, 119. Run-off between Mr. Penland and Mr. Johnson.

For Alderman-at-Large—Dr. G. D. Anderson, 272.

Regardless of the eventual winners in the election to be held next month, it is a certainty that the town of West Asheville will be governed by a practically new body, while an altogether new one is possible. Of the five present members of the board of aldermen, three declined to enter the race to succeed themselves and one of the two whose names appeared on the ticket was defeated as was the present mayor. Mr. Penland, therefore, will have the distinction of being the only candidate for a position to enter the election with official connection with the board which is in charge of the affairs of West Asheville at the present time.

### Vote Light.

The vote was not so heavy as was expected, many of the residents of the community who are not the owners of poll tax receipts being barred from participation in the election. A large number of challenges were upheld, being entered by the friends of various candidates and all of them were based on the contention that the challenged voter had not paid his poll tax. The West Asheville registration runs in the neighborhood of 500 and considerably less than 400 votes were cast in yesterday's election.

The general election, like the primary of yesterday, will be of a non-partisan nature. The names of the two candidates polling the highest number of votes in each race will appear on the ballot and there will be nothing on it to indicate the political affiliations of the men for whom the residents of the town will cast their ballots. Politics played no part in the primary of yesterday. A glance at the figures reported to the town clerk shows that the races were close and that no candidate has led with such a margin as to enable him to become inactive between now and the date of the election in races wherein there are more than one candidate. Dr. Anderson, of course, is assured of membership on the next aldermanic board, having no opposition in the primary.

Friends of the candidates and the men whose names appeared on the tickets gathered about the ballot boxes early yesterday and worked throughout the day. Although not greatly experienced in the selection of a municipal ticket, having held but one such election previously, West Asheville, nevertheless, is far from ignorant of political methods and the election yesterday gave evidence of many means of campaigning. To the credit of the candidates and their ardent supporters, however, all campaigns were conducted on a high plane and there was no resorting to personalities. Each of the candidates entered the race with the determination of asking for support on the ground that he was fitted for the office he sought, willing to win or lose on such a request for support.

### Aldermen Meet.

Preparations for the general election will be made at a meeting of the West Asheville aldermanic board, which will be held Tuesday night. At that time the date for the opening of the registration books will be selected and the officers of the election probably will be appointed. Other details of the election will be arranged by the members of the governing body. The expenses of the election will be paid by the town of West Asheville, the charter requiring that elections be held bi-ennially for the selection of town officials. The money spent in the holding of the primary, however, was paid from a fund raised by the candidates, each of whom was required to post an entry fee of $5. The primary was not conducted officially, although its results will be binding in that this method of selecting the ticket was adopted at a mass meeting held at West Asheville a short time ago, when resolutions were adopted favoring the primary and voters pledged their support to that method of choosing the nominees to take part in the election.

The retiring mayor and board of aldermen will complete a term of two years next month, having been elected in November, 1913. They began their services immediately following their election and they will be succeeded by the new mayor and aldermen after general election of next month. The new officials will be paid a salary to be named by them at one of their early meetings whereas the present officials have served without remuneration for their efforts, agreeing to undertake the work for the first two years of the town's life as an incorporated municipality without pay.

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# NEW REGISTRATION OF VOTERS IS ORDERED

**West Asheville Board of Aldermen Reappoint J. R. Reynolds as Tax Collector For Two Years.**

At last night's meeting of the West Asheville board of aldermen, J. R. Reynolds, the present tax collector, was reappointed tax collector and water superintendent for a term of two years.

The board ordered a new registration of voters for the approaching election of municipal officers. Just when the registration books will be opened will be announced in a few days. For the coming election E. D. McCollum was appointed registrar; and H. A. Brown and S. D. Hall were appointed judges.

Other matters disposed of by the board included the acceptance of the Brevard street sewer. Announcement was made that the grading of Beverly road has been completed and the work of laying the sidewalk has been started.

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# ORGANIZATION WAS FORMED LAST NIGHT

## CHAMBER OF COMMERCE ORGANIZED AT WEST ASHEVILLE.

### Officers Chosen and Chairmen of Committees Announced—Asheville Speakers Will Be Heard.

A permanent organization of the West Asheville chamber of commerce was perfected last night with the election of Dr. A. E. Brown as president and R. J. Worley as vice president and the announcement of the following chairmen of committees: G. W. Fairchild, membership; E. W. Roberts, schools; Dr. J. G. Anderson, transportation; F. Zimmerman, industries; J. N. Jarrett, finances; R. M. Wells, legislation; W. E. Howard, arbitration; M. L. Maney, public buildings, and C. V. Brown, publicity.

The chairmen will make their reports at a meeting of the members, which will be held on the evening of November 22, when plans for the work of the coming year will be discussed together with many other subjects of interest to the residents of West Asheville who are interested in the development of the municipality. A number of Asheville people will be invited to speak to the members on that occasion, telling them of the work which is being done by the Asheville board of trade and dealing with the good which can be done by such an organization.

The residents of West Asheville in attendance upon last night's meeting expressed themselves as being greatly pleased with the interest which has been shown in the organization and with the pledges of co-operation which have been received from many sources. It is their belief that the new organization can take an important part in many movements looking to the growth of the town and the betterment of conditions at West Asheville and they are planning an active campaign in behalf of West Asheville during the coming year.

Last night's meeting was largely attended and the business before the organization was given careful consideration by those present at the session. A number of short talks were made dealing with the work which the chamber of commerce of West Asheville should undertake when it is well under way.

# WEST ASHEVILLE WILL HAVE FINE BOULEVARD

## SURFACING WITH ASPHALT WILL BEGIN IMMEDIATELY.

### The Grading for Main Street for Distance of a Mile and a Half Has Been Practically Completed.

When the present street improvements now under way in West Asheville are completed about two weeks hence, that community will have a system of fine thoroughfares, which will take place in favorable comparison with the various towns of the country in the matter of the excellence of its streets.

With Main street enlarged to a uniform width of sixty feet from Beacham's curve to the property line of R. F. Hayes, a distance of a mile and a half in the direction of Sulphur Springs, it is safe to say the residents of West Asheville have one of the finest boulevards in Buncombe county. This improvement of Main street will extend for three-fourths of a mile beyond the end of the car line.

The grading of this broad street has been practically finished and the work of surfacing it with asphalt will begin within a few days. Owing to the approach of winter, only the east half of Main street will be surfaced with asphalt this fall, but next spring the west side will also be covered with the best obtainable grade of asphalt.

Seven-foot concrete sidewalks are being constructed on both sides of the street, the sidewalk for the one side being not built for about one-half the length of the street.

The location of the car line has been changed to the center of the street instead of the side, and the engineering department of the street car company is already at work moving the track, so the town can do its paving at once. A force of about forty men are engaged in the work of constructing the street and the laying of sewers, while a force of ten or twelve men is at work on the sidewalks.

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# WEST ASHEVILLE TO CHOOSE NEW MAYOR

## FIFTY VOTERS HAVE REGISTERED SINCE PRIMARY.

### Following General Election Today, Town Will Be Governed By Practically New Aldermanic Board.

With fifty additional voters registered since the primary held October 16, a record vote is indicated for the general election for the choosing of municipal officers of West Asheville which will be held today.

Owing to the close vote polled by the leading candidates for mayor in the primary, chief interest in the election centers upon the rival candidates for this office. In the primary Mayor J. L. Bright, who has served for the past two years as chief executive, was eliminated. The run-off for this office, therefore, lies between J. L. Crook who received 102 votes, and G. D Carter, who received 109 at the primary.

As a result of the elimination of other candidates in the primary, the contest for members of the aldermanic board will be run off today between the following: For alderman, First ward—E. W. Roberts and H. E. Hames. For alderman, Second ward—G. W. Fairchild and Bert Ingle. For alderman, Third ward—G. W. Jenkins and W. R. Carter. For alderman, Fourth ward—J. C. Penland and O. M. Johnson.

For alderman-at-large the race will be between Dr. G. D. Anderson, who was unopposed in the primary, and C. W. Moody, who was a candidate for alderman from the Fourth ward, and since the primary has come forward as an independent candidate for election as alderman-at-large.

The polls will open at 8 o'clock and close at sunset, about 5:27 o'clock in the afternoon.

Without hazarding a prediction as to the eventful winners at the polls today, it is safe to say that the town of West Asheville will be governed by a practically new body of municipal officers, while an altogether new one is possible.

Of the five present members of the board of alderman, three declined to enter the race to succeed themselves, and one of the two who did enter the primary was eliminated, as was the present mayor. Mr. Penland will therefore be the only member of the present board who will be a candidate at the general election today.

# CROOK CHOSEN MAYOR OF WEST ASHEVILLE

## MAYOR AND NEW BOARD TAKE OFFICE TODAY.

### J. L. Crook is Elected Mayor, and Entirely New Aldermanic Board is Chosen by the Voters.

As a result of the general election held yesterday in West Asheville, J. L. Crook was elected mayor by a majority of thirty-four votes over his opponent, G. D. Carter, and an entirely new board of aldermen was elected. J. C. Penland, the only member of the present board who was a candidate for re-election and was not eliminated at the primary, was defeated by his opponent, C. M. Johnson, by a majority of thirty-nine votes. Of the five present members of the aldermanic board, three declined to enter the race to succeed themselves, and one of the two who was a candidate in the primary was eliminated.

The official vote, as reported by Clerk J. N. Jarrett, of the West Asheville aldermanic board, last night, following the receipt of the returns from the various wards, was as follows:

For mayor—J. L. Crook, 199; G. D. Carter, 165.

For alderman, First ward—H. E. Hames, 211; E. W. Roberts, 154.

For alderman, Second ward—Bert Ingle, 184; G. W. Fairchild, 170.

For alderman, Third ward—W. R. Carter, 256; G. W. Jenkins, 111.

For alderman, Fourth ward—Chas. M. Johnson, 203; J. C. Penland, 164.

For alderman-at-large—Dr. J. G. Anderson, 249; C. W. Moody, 100.

**Heavy Vote.**

The vote recorded yesterday was larger than that cast at the primary where the official count showed that considerably less than 400 votes were cast. Following the primary, fifty additional voters registered for the general election.

The general election, like the primary, was of a non-partisan nature, the names of the two candidates polling the highest vote in the primary in each race appearing on the ballot with nothing to indicate the political affiliations of the men for whom the residents of the town cast their votes.

Although friends of the various candidates were busy at the polls throughout the day, the campaign methods were of a clean variety and the election passed off quietly.

**New Board to Take Office.**

The mayor and members of the new board will meet today at 11 o'clock and will take office at noon, at which time their oaths of office will be administered. At the meeting held today the new board will choose a clerk and may take up the matter of changes in, or reappointment of the members of the West Asheville police force.

**May Vote Salaries.**

In view of the increasing business transacted by the governing board of West Asheville, it is rumored that the members of the new board will consider the matter of voting themselves compensation at an early meeting. The members of the old board served without compensation for their efforts, having taken office two years ago and agreed to serve the first two years of the town's life as an incorporated municipality without pay.

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# ALDERMEN AND NEW MAYOR ARE SWORN IN

## FIRST MEETING WILL BE HELD FRIDAY NIGHT.

### Mayor J. L. Crook and Members of West Asheville Board of Aldermen Took Office at Noon Yesterday.

J. L. Crook, newly elected mayor of West Asheville, and the members of the new aldermanic board, took the oath of office yesterday at noon. Retiring Mayor J. L. Bright administered the oath to Mayor Crook, who in turn swore in the members of the aldermanic board, who were chosen at the general election held Tuesday.

At a conference of the new governing board which was held shortly afterwards, it was decided to hold the first meeting of the board Friday night, at which time the various committees will be named and a clerk appointed.

At this meeting it is understood, some action will be taken by the members of the new board on the matter of voting themselves and the mayor some compensation.

Although the members of the old board served without pay, the amount of business transacted by the aldermen and mayor as a result of the development and upbuilding of West Asheville has increased to such an extent that the administrative duties of the individual members of the board take up a great deal of their time.

# BINGHAM SCHOOL WILL HAVE A MIITARY DAY

Congressman J. J. Britt has accepted the invitation to attend the "Military Day" exercises which will be held at the Bingham school tomorrow afternoon at 3 o'clock. The object of the congressman's visit to the local institution it is reported is to secure information which he expects to use in his speeches supporting the "military preparedness" policy which the national government is expected to adopt at the coming session of congress. Friends of the institution are invited to attend the military day celebration, which will be carried out with a program consisting of various drills and exercises.

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# COMMITTEES NAMED AT WEST ASHEVILLE

**First Meeting of Recently Elected Mayor and Aldermen Held—Vote Themselves $100 Salary.**

Committees were named, salaries voted and the West Asheville board of aldermen thoroughly organized at the first meeting of the new board, which took place at West Asheville last night. Mayor Crook, the newly elected chief executive of the town, presided, and all the aldermen were present.

Routine matters occupied the attention of the board for the greater part of the evening. Committees were named to have charge of the various departments of public affairs coming under the charge of the mayor and aldermen.

Alderman C. M. Johnson was appointed chairman of the water and sewer committee. Alderman F. B. Ingle was named head of the fire committee, the public safety and building committee and the special tax committee. Dr. J. G. Anderson was named chairman of the street committee, the police committee and the sanitary committee. Alderman W. R. Carter was elected chairman of the finance committee.

After some deliberation, the mayor and board of aldermen decided that on account of the extra work that has been imposed on the administrative body of the city, the officials should receive some compensation, and accordingly voted to pay themselves a salary of $100 a year each.

The selection of a town clerk was passed over until the next meeting.

No change has been made in the police department of West Asheville as yet, this matter being left in the hands of the police committee, which will make its recommendations at the next meeting of the board.

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# WEST ASHEVILLE TO HOLD MASS MEETING

## CONGRESSMAN BRITT TO DELIVER AN ADDRESS.

### Chamber of Commerce Starts Movement for Establishment of Branch P. O. and Improved Service.

At a mass meeting to be held this evening under the auspices of the chamber of commerce of West Asheville in the Odd Fellows hall at 8 o'clock the residents of that community will start an aggressive movement for the establishment of a branch postoffice with a system of two deliveries of mail each day. In addition to the establishment of the branch postoffice it is proposed that in the future the rural mail carriers who cover the Bent creek and Hazel ward territory shall operate out of West Asheville.

Congressman James J. Britt will deliver an address outlining methods in which the town can be greatly benefited through community organization. Congressman Britt is also expected to state his position in reference to the proposed establishment of a branch of the Asheville postoffice in West Asheville. In addition to the address by Congressman Britt, N. Buckner, secretary of the Asheville board of trade, will deliver an address.

As evidence of West Asheville's claims upon the Federal government for better postal facilities the following facts about West Asheville are set forth by Dr. A. E. Brown, president of the chamber of commerce:

"Population, 4,000; ten stores; two churches and a mission of the Presbyterian church; fire department; a bank doing a thrifty business—but why go into further details, a town that is building an asphalt boulevard sixty feet in width and more than a mile in length, needs no further evidence of its promise to become one of the largest residential communities in the county."

# ALDERMEN APPOINT NEW POLICE FORCE

**At Meeting Held Last Night West Asheville Aldermanic Board Appointed Members of Police Force.**

At the meeting of the board of aldermen of West Asheville held last night, with the exception of one member of the old force who was reappointed, an entirely new police force for the town was named. Each of the aldermen and the mayor recommended one man for position of policeman.

Policeman W. H. Wright was reappointed. The other policemen named are: A. J. Parris, R. L. Duckett, O. C. Taylor, A. L. Ford and J. E. Ingle. Eugene Edwards was appointed by the board building inspector, and E. B. Wright was reappointed by the board to the position of city plumber. With a view to securing a postoffice for the town at the earliest possible date, the following were named as a committee to have the matter in charge: Mayor J. L. Crook,

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# West Asheville Newspaper Articles

## Articles from 1916

# YOUNG MAN SHOOTS HIMSELF IN SHOULDER

## WILL HENDERSON IS SERIOUSLY WOUNDED

### West Asheville Man Picked Up by Brother After Shooting Himself Twice in Left Shoulder.

Will Henderson, a young white man twenty-one years of age, who resides at West Asheville is lying at the home of his brother, Wiley Henderson, in a serious condition as the result of two bullet wounds through his left shoulder, the wounds being self-inflicted. Neither of the wounds, however, is considered fatal unless complications set in.

Wiley Henderson, according to a statement related to a representative of the Citizen last night, was on his way home yesterday about 4:30 o'clock and had reached a point near the house when he heard two shots. He declares that he ran forward and found his brother lying near a creek that runs by his (Wiley Henderson's) West Asheville home, with two bullet holes in his left shoulder and a revolver lying beside him.

Wiley Henderson summoned his wife, and between them they carried the injured man to the house, sending for Dr. Brookshire. The physician arrived and dressed the wounds, declaring that there was no danger unless some unforeseen complication should set in.

Mrs. Wiley Henderson, according to the story told by her husband last night, was just inside the house at the time Will Henderson shot himself. She says that she heard the shots and turned just in time to see her brother-in-law fall to the ground. Whether the shots were accidental or not she could not state.

Will Henderson, according to his brother, has been in bad health for several weeks and lately has appeared to be suffering from an acute attack of melancholia. He used to work in a cotton mill, but for several weeks has been practically unemployed.

Asheville Citizen January 26, 1916

# EARTH SHOCKS ARE DISTINCTLY FELT THROUGHOUT CITY

## Asheville Mildly Excited by Two Tremors at 6:40 o'Clock Last Night

## QUAKE IS GENERAL IN MIDDLE STATES

### Two Distinct Shocks About Ten Seconds Apart, Felt in Asheville.

Two distinct earth shocks, coming about ten seconds apart, and lasting for about ten and fifteen seconds respectively, were felt throughout Asheville last night at 6:40 o'clock and caused considerable excitement in the city. While not severe, the shocks were strong enough to rattle the dishes in several portions of the city and to cause hundreds of people to telephone for information on the subject, the newspaper offices, police headquarters and the fire department being the chief sources of information sought.

**Perceptible Tremor.**

The first shock came at 6:40 o'clock and a perceptible tremor of the earth could be felt. Ten seconds of silence ensued, and the second shock occurred, being slightly more violent than the first. Telephone calls began to come into the office of The Citizen, asking if an earthquake had really occurred, and the reports were from all parts of the county. Walter Toms Wray called from Beaverdam, a call was received from Skyland, another from Tryon, one from Hendersonville, one from Saluda and others from various portions of the city. All reported practically the same experience, although the shock appears to have been a little more violent at Tryon than elsewhere, reports from that place stating that plaster was jarred from the walls of several houses by the shocks.

Judge J. J. Mackey, registrar of deeds, and a resident of Buncombe county for many years, was among the first to report. He declared that he felt the shock at his home on Haywood street, and that, to his personal knowledge, it was the strongest tremor experienced here since the Charleston earthquake in 1888. Others who called were: C. T. Carr, from Montford avenue; W. O. Boger, from Central avenue; E. J. Philipson, from Hillside street; E. J. Londow, from Woodfin street; Philip Schwartz, from Asheland avenue; E. R. Wainwright, from Chestnut street; Miss Callen, from West Asheville, and numerous others.

**Second Shock.**

This is the second shock felt here within the last six months, the former shock occurring about 1 o'clock in the morning, and being less generally felt than the shocks of last night. The shock was generally felt throughout the state, reports coming from as far away as Wilmington. Some excitement was caused early in the night by a report that three houses at Skyland had been wrecked by the quake, but this report was later denied.

That Asheville was not signalled out especially by the earthquakes for a visit last night was demonstrated by the dispatches of the Associated Press, which reported shocks from Chattanooga, Atlanta, Savannah, Wilmington, Columbia, Spartanburg, Bristol and various Virginia points.

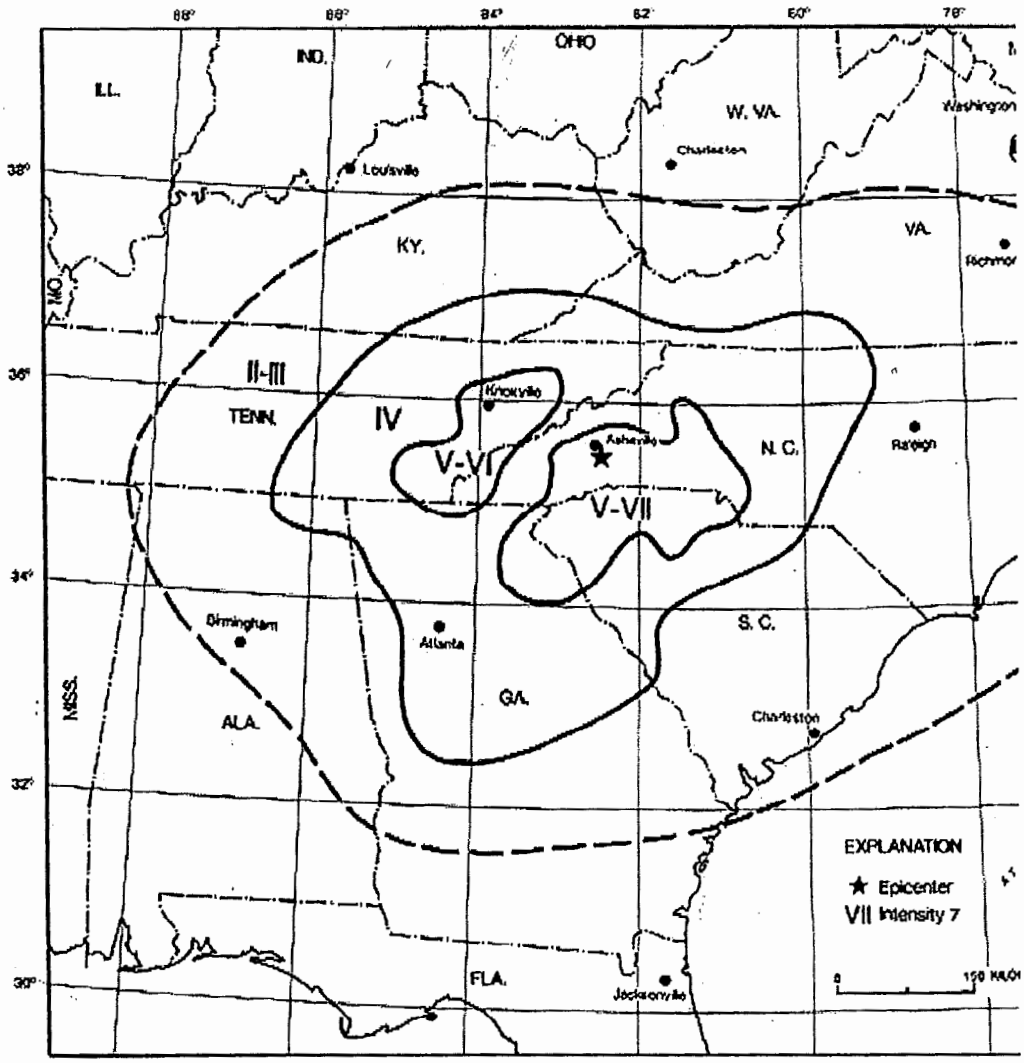
No general starting point for the earthquakes could be located last night.

# Largest Earthquake in North Carolina

**Near Waynesville, North Carolina**
**1916 02 21 23:39 UTC**
**Magnitude 5.20**
**Intensity VII**

## Isoseismal Map

Isoseismals are based on intensity estimates from data.




On February 21, 1916, the Asheville area was the center for an earthquake classed as one of the largest that has occurred within the borders of North Carolina during historic times. Damage from the shock (intensity VI) was limited to cracked plaster and falling crockery and (at Sevierville, Tennessee) bricks shaken from chimneys. However, the felt area extended into Alabama, Georgia, Kentucky, South Carolina, Tennessee, and Virginia - about 518,000 square kilometers. Another earthquake centered west of Winston-Salem was felt noticeably on August 26, 1916. Highest intensities (V) were reported from Statesville and Taylorsville. The total felt area covered about 9,800 square kilometers.

# WEST ASHEVILLE BOND ELECTION ON APRIL 11

**Commissioners Set Date When Petition Bearing 282 Names is Presented—To See Biltmore Petition.**

Taxpayers and other citizens of West Asheville will vote on the question of issuing bonds to the amount of $25,000 for a new school building in West Asheville on April 11, that date having been set by the board of county commissioners at yesterday's meeting.

The question of a new school building has been a vital one in West Asheville for some time, and petitions were circulated recently. These petitions were presented to the commissioners yesterday with 282 signatures attached. W. F. Snyder was appointed registrar and A. L. Bright and C. N. Lineberry will act as judges at the election.

Those who have taken charge of the campaign for the school bond petition at Biltmore are expected to appear before the commissioners at the present meeting and may be received by the board today. A large number of names have been signed to the Biltmore petition and judging by the sentiment expressed there, no trouble should be experienced in passing the bond issue, if the election is approved and set by the board.

# HOME DEMONSTRATOR FINDS ENTHUSIASM

Miss Allie Rymer, recently appointed home demonstrator for Buncombe county, is already doing effective work. Yesterday she organized a class of thirty girls at Grace High school. Miss Rymer found the greatest interest and enthusiasm amongst the girls at Grace, and it is said the same sentiment is prevalent among all the school children of the county. Miss Rymer is to make frequent reports of her work to Mrs. Grace McKimmon, Raleigh, the head of the home demonstration work in North Carolina, and to the Asheville board of trade, to whose activities her appointment is due.

Yesterday Miss Rymer also organized a girls' canning club of ten members at the West Asheville High school. This number will be largely increased, it is said, for there is also the greatest interest manifested among the students of this school in Miss Rymer's work. Principal W. R. Chambers, of the West Asheville High school, believes that this is the first girls' canning club formed in Buncombe county.

Asheville Citizen Mar. 15, 1916

# SCHOOL FAIR PLANNED FOR WEST ASHEVILLE

Plans are being formulated in West Asheville for a school fair to be held in connection with the annual commencement exercises which will take place on April 23, 24 and 25. The various grades will exhibit the work done in all the branches, including drawing, writing and other elementary work, and the high school department will exhibit composition work.

A special feature of the fair will be an exhibit by the Audubon society of the school. The various class rooms containing the exhibits will be thrown open to all, during the whole of the exercises.

Asheville Citizen April 11, 1916

# WEST ASHEVILLE GAY OVER BOND ELECTION

**Issue Authorized by Overwhelming Majority of 242 Votes and Township Celebrates.**

Ending the day with a huge bonfire, the ringing of bells and a jubilation meeting, the citizens of West Asheville fittingly celebrated the success of the bond election, whereby the issue of $25,000 for a much needed new school building for the district was authorized.

Out of 286 qualified voters, who registered for the election, 244 cast votes in favor of the bonds, and only seven voters used their ballots to oppose the issue. F. D. Hall, J. R. Reynolds and W. P. Snyder acted as the officers at the polls.

The day was started with a parade by the school children, who carried banners with suitable inscriptions regarding the bond issue and it was estimated that 500 of the pupils were in line. The members of the Woman's Betterment association of the school served refreshments for the voters at the polls, during the day.

The movement for the new school was first instituted by the chamber of commerce and at one of the meetings a committee was appointed to handle the matter, and to consider the plans and specifications. This committee worked with the county board of education, and was instrumental in the presentation of the petition, for the election, to the county commissioners.

At the meeting last night, Gallatin Roberts was the speaker and he addressed a large enthusiastic gathering who assembled in celebration of the election's success.

# WEST ASHEVILLE SCHOOL EXERCISES

## JUDGE PRITCHARD TO DELIVER THE ANNUAL ADDRESS

### Declamation and Recitation Contests to Be Participated In By Largest Class in School's History.

The declamation contest of the West Asheville graded school commencement exercises will be participated in by the largest class in the school's history. This contest is but one of many interesting features of the commencement exercises, which will be held on April 21, 23, 24 and 25.

Owing to the congested condition of the school and the lack of sufficient facilities, the plan was adopted at the beginning of the school year of having each of the primary grades give a program at the end of each month, to which the parents of the students have been invited. These programs have been given through the fourth grade and these monthly programs have constituted their commencements. The commencement exercises to be given this week and next therefore is representative of all the organizations of the entire school.

The commencement program in detail is as follows:

On Friday, at 8 o'clock, the program will be given by members of the Martha Washington junior society, of the fifth, sixth and seventh grades, and by the domestic science classes in the Odd Fellows' hall, West Asheville.

Chorus, "The Grand Old Flag"—Junior society.

Play, "William Tell"—Junior society.

Cooking drill, by domestic science class.

Reading, "Telling Stories"—Edna Boone.

"Gypsy festival"—Domestic science class.

Pantomime, "America"—Edna Walsh, Mabel Grahl, Alice Fairchild.

Mock trial, "The Man Hater"—Junior society.

Japanese song, "Sweet Sananoo"—Domestic science class.

The commencement sermon will be delivered on Sunday by Dr. A. E. Brown, D. D., of West Asheville.

On Monday evening at 8 o'clock, there will be a recitation contest. There will be ten boys in the declamation contest and eight girls in the recitation contest—the largest classes in the history of the school. The boys are representatives of the North State Literary society, while the girls represent the Girls' Social club.

The recitations on Monday night will be preceded by a double trio selection—"Down in Dewey Dell." The trio is composed of Eula Anderson, Mary Brown, Annie Corbin, Edith Meadows, Francis Moody and Pearl Sams.

"The Lost Word," by Nell Reynolds.
"Hagar," by Sara Penney.
"Wild Zingarella," by Annie Mae Westall.
"The Soul of the Violin," by Jessie Davis.
Piano solo, "Lucia Di Lammermoor," by Lena Beacham.
"Pro Patria," by Zula Fairchild.
"Aunt Charity Blackaldea," by Sara Barbour.
"Claudius and Cynthia," by Lena Beacham.
"The Hero of Mayville," by Obera Spivey.
Trio, "Good Night, Beloved," by Eula Anderson, Annie Corbin and Francis Moody.

On Tuesday, at 1:15 o'clock, will occur the declamation contest, with the following program:

Piano solo, "General Grant's March."
"Truth and Victory," Piercy Carter.
"One Niche the Highest," Chas. Starnes.
"Sergeant Prentiss' First Plea," Claude Duckett.
"The nomination of Blaine for the Presidency," Howard Planer.
Instrumental duet, Jack and Ralph Felmet.
"Spartacus to the Gladiators," Paul Pittillo.
"The Stability of Government," Herbert Brown.
"The Call to Arms," Haydon Ingle.
"Bryan's Cross of Gold Speech," Clyde Westall.
Piano solo, Ralph Felmet.
"The Unknown Rider," William Reynolds.
"A Scene Upon a Battlefield," Eugene Planer.
Instrumental duet, Margaret Jarrett and Mabel Grahl.

Tuesday night the program will be as follows:

Piano Solo—"Humoreske," by Nell Reynolds.
Class song.
President's Address—Wade Steelman.
Class History—Grace Beacham.
Class Prophecy—Nell Reynolds.
Class Will—Albert Evans.
Class Poem—Zula Fairchild.
Valedictory, "Arbitration as a Means of Settling International Disputes"—Wade Steelman.
Vocal solo, "From the Land of the Sky Blue Waters"—By Sara Penney.
Annual Address—Judge J. C. Pritchard, who will be introduced to the audience by Gallatin Roberts.
Piano solo, "The Dance of the Demon"—Lena Beacham.
Awarding of diplomas, certificates, prizes and medals.
Verdi's "Anvil Chorus."

The chief of the marshals is Bert Starnes, and his assistants are Wade Steelman, Albert Evans, Margie Cook and Leone Noblitt.

Asheville Citizen
April 19, 1916

# REGULAR MEETING OF BOARD OF ALDERMEN

Matters of a routine nature were discussed at the regular weekly meeting of the West Asheville board of aldermen held last night. A number of vouchers were considered and passed on, and the paving question came up for discussion. Mayor J. L. Crook states that the work will soon be in full blast, and a well paved town will soon be a reality instead of a hope.

The committee appointed by the chamber of commerce, together with three other representative citizens will meet with the board of aldermen next week and will select a site for the proposed new city hall. Several sites have been suggested but Mayor Crook would not commit himself to state just which one seems to meet with the greatest public favor.

Asheville Citizen April 22, 1916

# CLOSING EXERCISES OF SCHOOL COMMENCE

With an entertainment given last night by the Martha Washington society of the fifth, sixth and seventh grades and by the domestic science class, the commencement exercises of the West Asheville school were formally opened.

The entertainment consisted of several songs, reading and recitations and aplay, "William Tell," by members of the junior society. The domestic science class gave a cooking drill and a gypsy festival.

The commencement sermon will be delivered tomorrow morning at 11 o'clock by Dr. A. E. Brown of West Asheville, and the exercises will continue through Monday and Tuesday, ending Tuesday night with the awarding of medals, prizes, certificates and diplomas.

Asheville Citizen April 22, 1916

# C. B. JOYNER ENTERS RACE FOR CONSTABLE

C. B. Joyner, of West Asheville, the son of J. E. Joyner has announced his entry in the race for nomination as constable of Asheville township, subject to the action of the primary. Mr. Joyner is well known in Asheville having been associated with a firm of detectives here for some time.

Mr. Joyner has a large number of friends here and will make an active campaign before the coming primary election.

Asheville Citizen April 23, 1916

# MANY ATTEND SCHOOL RECITATION CONTEST

Enthusiasm was rife among the large crowds at the graduation exercises of the West Asheville school last night when eight girls of the school participated in the recitation contest. The prize offered is a gold medal and the competition was close. The three judges, Mrs. W. H. Woodall, Miss Allie Rymer and J. B. Edwards, will announce the name of the winner tonight.

This afternoon at 2:30 o'clock nine boys will enter in the declamation contest for a medal to be awarded the winner. At 4 o'clock this afternoon the school exhibition will start, during which the school will be thrown open to visitors for an inspection of the work of the various grades for the term.

The graduation exercises will be brought to a close tonight when Judge J. C. Pritchard will deliver the annual address. Judge Pritchard will be introduced by Gallatin Roberts. The diplomas, certificates, medals and prizes will be presented.

Ashevuille Citizen April 25, 1916

# EXERCISES CLOSE AT WEST ASHEVILLE

**Fifty-Six Pupils Receive Certificates For Perfect Attendances Throughout the Term.**

The largest crowds of the commencement attended the closing exercises at West Asheville school last night and heard Judge J. C. Pritchard deliver the graduation address. The medal for the recitation contest offered by Dr. J. G. Anderson, was won by Sara Penny who recited "Hagar," and was presented by S. B. Hall.

The declamation contest was won by William Reynolds, who recited "The Unknown Rider." His medal was presented by M. D. Shook, its donor being S. B. Hall. Nine boys participated in the declamation contest and in the other contest eight girls recited.

Diplomas were presented to the graduates, of whom there were five, their names following:

Wade Steelman, Albert Evans, Nell Reynolds, Zula Fairchild and Grace Beacham.

Superintendent W. H. Hipps was present last night and presented attendance certificates to fifty-six pupils, who were neither tardy nor absent during the term. Six of these were given an ovation by the audience for having been neither tardy nor absent for five years.

The school has just completed a year's work that will stand out in the history of the institution. The success that has been attained in scholarship, attendance and other work in the school has been marked and these factors, as much as anything else, were instrumental in carrying the bond election whereby $25,000 was provided for a handsome new building.

Asheville Citizen April 26, 1916

# WEST ASEVILLE TOWN BOARD HOLDS MEETING

## DECIDES TO GRADE ROAD TO SULPHUR SPRINGS.

### Considerable Business Transacted by the Aldermen, and Permits For New Building Are Issued.

One of the busiest meetings for some time past was held last night by the members of the West Asheville board of aldermen who meet every Friday night. To a committee of property owners, residing along Beverly road, who presented a petition asking for a sewer line about 300 feet in length, the board offered to furnish the engineers to survey the line if the petitioners will pay for the construction of the line. A similar proposition was offered to property owners of Majestic avenue who presented a similar petition. The board will hear the petitioners again next week and in the intervening time the propositions will be considered.

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It was decided to survey Haywood road from Sand Hill road to Sulphur Springs and to lay off the road forty feet wide. The road is one and one-half miles in length, and will be graded forty feet wide to C. M. Dill's place. From then on to Sulphur Springs it will be graded to a width of twenty-four feet.

It was decided to open a street on the car line from Beacham's curve to the concrete bridge, provided the right of way may be secured free of any cost to the town. It is proposed to grade the street to a width of thirty-five feet if the deal can be consummated.

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The building activity in West Asheville, which has been so marked for the past few months shows no signs of abatement. The board granted last night two new building permits, the estimated cost of which totaled $1,800.00.

# HOSE COMPANY WILL NOT CHANGE QUARTERS

**G. W. Dougherty Permits Organization to Remain Rent Free and Aldermen Rescind Order.**

Hose company No. 2 will not be moved with its apparatus to the quarters of Company No. 1 according to the latest decision of the West Asheville board of aldermen which met in regular session last night. Following the offer of G. W. Dougherty to allow the fire fighters to remain at their present quarters, rent free, the board rescinded its order to last week.

The board ordered the construction of a sidewalk along Haywood road from the car line to the Sand Hill road, a distance of several hundred feet. A further order authorized the extension of the sidewalk 100 feet further to a street beyond Dr. Gardner's house.

The engineer of the town was ordered to survey Brevard road and to stake it out next week ready for grading which has already been authorized. Two building permits for residences were granted. The total estimated cost amounted to $1,500.

Asheville Times May 1916

# WEST ASHEVILLE HAS CLEAN UP WEEK, TOO

## INTERESTING MEETING TOWN'S CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

### Work Starts Tomorrow on Street Paving There, and New School Construction Will Begin Soon.

Work on West Asheville's new $45,000 school building will begin not later than June 1, it was stated at last night's meeting of the West Asheville chamber of commerce.

C. H. Chunn, supervising architect of the building, told the members of the chamber that the plans would be ready by the middle of next week and that bids for the construction of the building would soon be asked for.

The Noll Construction company of Chattanooga, will begin the work of paving the main thoroughfares of West Asheville tomorrow. Dr. J. T. Anderson, chairman of the street committee, announced that there would be two construction crews on the work, which is to cost about $25,000. One of the crews will begin the street improvement work at the bank, and the other will start at Sulphur Springs.

A building and loan association for West Asheville is one of the probabilities of the near future. A committee was appointed to investigate the matter and report to the chamber as soon as possible. It is said there is a strong sentiment in West Asheville favoring the establishment of such an institution and it is believed it will be done.

This is clean-up week in West Asheville and the chamber of commerce is taking a very active part in the work. It is the intention of the authorities to have West Asheville cleaner than it ever has been before, and it is said the citizens are taking an active interest in the work. Dr. P. B. Orr is chairman of the committee having the work in charge, and he is assisted by J. G. Merrimon, H. B. Posey, Mrs. W. C. Brown and Mrs. H. A. Wells.

The meeting of the chamber was an unusually interesting one. The reports of the different committees reflected the civic growth of the community, it was said. The chamber is active in all improvements having for their aim the furtherance of West Asheville's interests, and its membership is fully alive to the opportunities afforded it.

Asheville Citizen May 10, 1916

FRIDAY, MAY 26, 1916.

# DR. SEVIER PLEASED WITH WEST ASHEVILLE

**County Physician States That Clergymen Have Given Aid to His Anti-Typhoid Campaign.**

Dr. D. E. Sevier administered the first stage of the anti-typhoid vaccine treatment to seventy-five of the residents of West Asheville yesterday afternoon, and while he found that to be the best advertised precinct in his campaign, that he has yet visited, he expressed a slight disappointment over the fact that not as large a number of patients appeared as he had expected.

"Announcement of the campaign has been made from the pulpits of the West Asheville churches, the various ministers speaking strongly in its favor," stated Dr. Sevier yesterday. "In the Sunday schools also the children were told of the immunization program and an appeal made to them to be vaccinated. What impressed me most was the fact that the parents of West Asheville sent their little girls and boys to be vaccinated without even being attended by their elders and this shows the confidence which the parents place in my work. On Saturday I will open my campaign at my office here, for the people of the city of Asheville and on Sunday afternoon from 2 to 6 o'clock I will vaccinate the colored people."

Dr. Sevier will go to Grace this morning and to New Bridge this afternoon.

Asheville Citizen May 26, 1916

# ELIADA CAMP MEETING WILL CLOSE TOMORROW

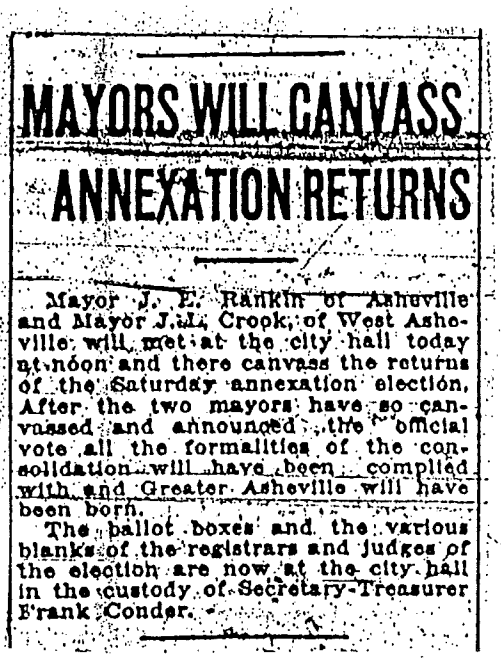
**Interest Being Shown in Annual Camp Meeting of Rev. Lucius B. Compton Near Asheville.**

A number of visitors and preachers and workers from many states are in attendance at the annual camp at Rev. Lucius B. Compton's Eliada orphanage, five miles west of Asheville.

The chief speakers at the camp meeting are Rev. E. J. Richards of New York, home secretary of the Christian and Missionary alliance; Rev. R. V. Miller, evangelist; Rev. Charles Doule of Providence, R. I., and Rev. L. B. Compton, assisted by others. People from the city and the surrounding country are attending the camp meeting in large numbers and interest and enthusiasm is shown. Tomorrow is the closing day and the hilltop promises to be crowded with people and their teams. Several thousand people will be on the ground, it is expected.

The orphanage now contains forty-odd children gathered from the community and surrounding districts and with their nurses and teachers form an interesting household. The orphanage is supported by voluntary offerings from many parts of the country, and by a herd of cattle and food crops raised on the place by a practical farmer in charge, the boys helping in the farm work and the girls in the domestic department. A missionary in China is supported by voluntary offerings at the camp.

**Asheville Citizen June 2, 1916**

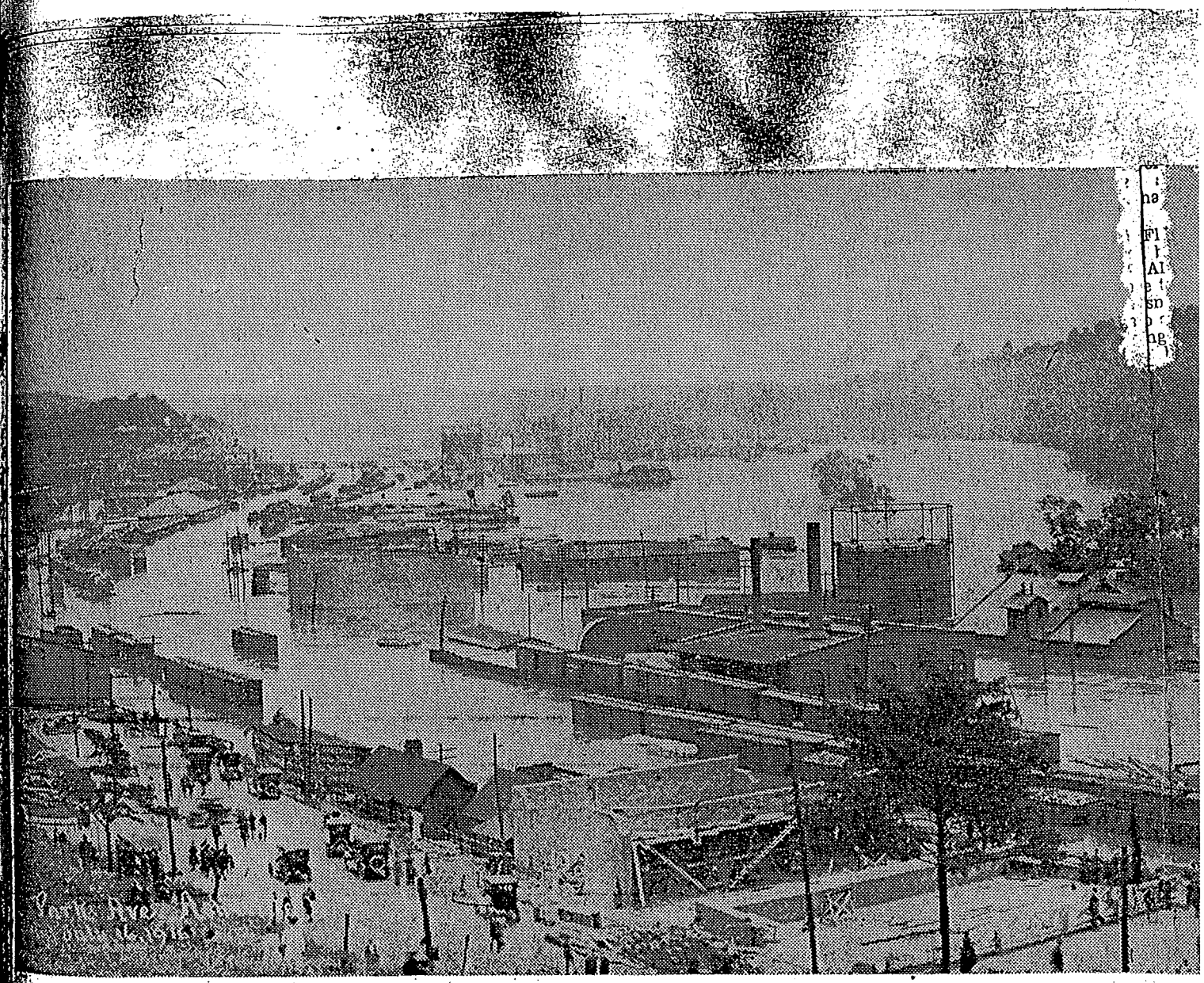


# MAYORS WILL CANVASS ANNEXATION RETURNS

Mayor J. E. Rankin of Asheville and Mayor J. J. Crook, of West Asheville will met at the city hall today at noon and there canvass the returns of the Saturday annexation election. After the two mayors have so canvassed and announced the official vote all the formalities of the consolidation will have been complied with and Greater Asheville will have been born.

The ballot boxes and the various blanks of the registrars and judges of the election are now at the city hall in the custody of Secretary-Treasurer Frank Condor.

Asheville Citizen June 11, 1916



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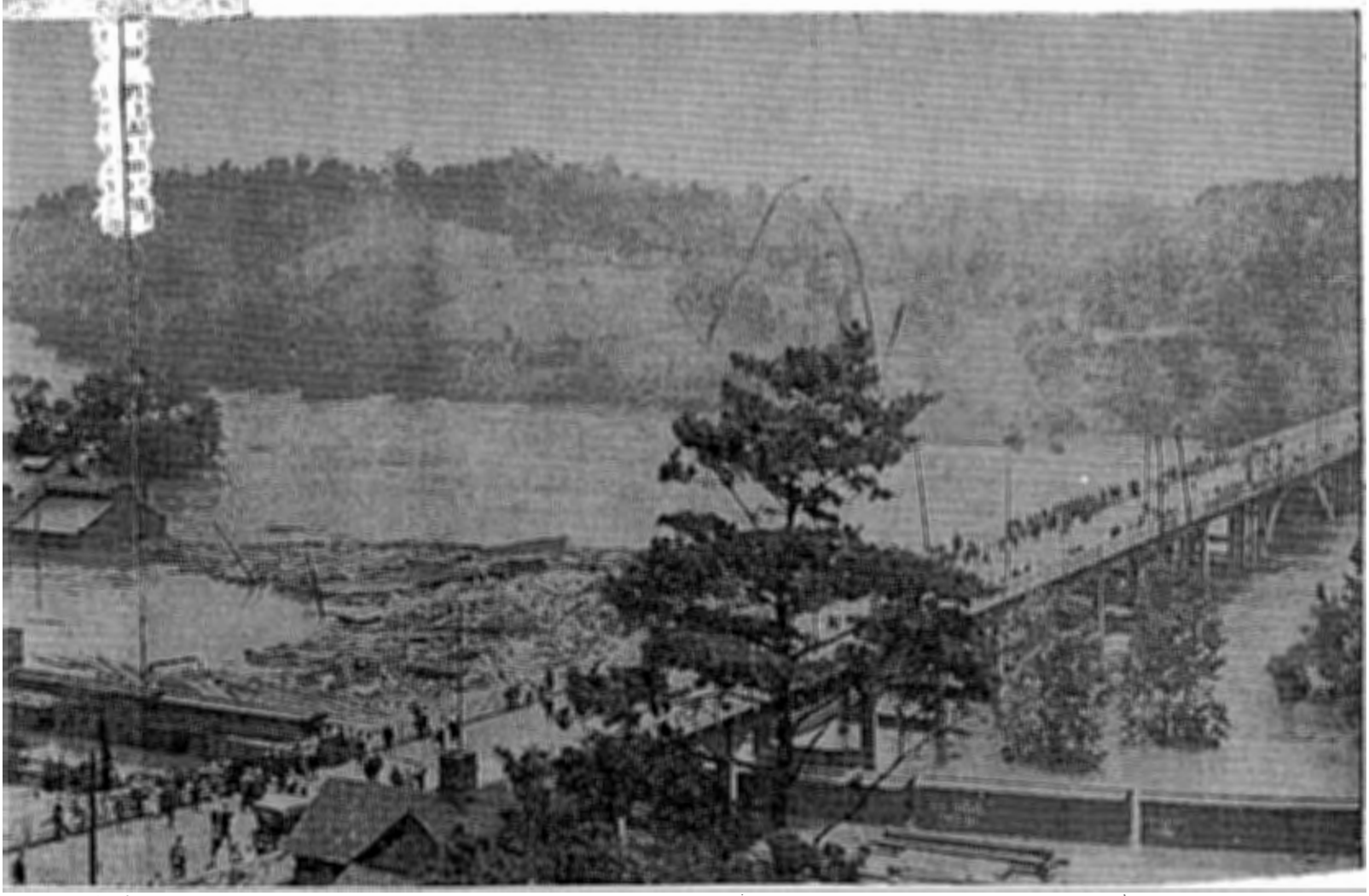

k the lives of several persons. This photograph was made near the West Asheville brid

# FRENCH BROAD FALLS SLOWLY BUT SURELY

## LOATH TO RELINQUISH GRIP ON BUILDINGS.

### Men at Work Clearing Up Wreckage at Various Points—West Asheville Affected.

Tugging sullenly at the buildings which it still surrounds, as if loath to leave anything standing in its path of devastation, the French Broad river is falling, slowly but surely, and all along its banks, or where the banks formerly were, great crowds of men are already at work, seeking to salvage, as far as possible, something from the wreckage.

Probably the largest crew now at work is employed on the Southern railway concrete bridge, where the water is still backed up by the great masses of timbers and other debris hurled against that structure during the highest stage of the flood Sunday. That the bridge was built to stay is demonstrated by the fact that it is practically unhurt and engineers say that a bridge that could withstand the surge of Sunday's flood against the wreckage piled against it, will be able to stand up under any possible conditions.

**Water Still High.**

Water is still up to the second story windows of many of the plants yet, but high water marks left yesterday showed that the water had fallen considerably during the night. Later figures estimate that probably fifty small homes, located on the banks of the river adjacent to Asheville, have been washed away, and there is a probability that this number will be later reduced.

Below the concrete bridge leading to West Asheville, on the West Asheville side, where there was formerly located a small colony of homes, with gardens and crop fields, there is now a lake, caused by the backwater from the Southern bridge. All that portion of West Asheville located along the river banks was hard hit by the storm, and most of the houses washed away were on the West Asheville side of the stream. The big water main, which supplies West Asheville with water, is bursted somewhere above the town, and the water supply is practically cut off. Like Asheville, however, the main portion of the town, being located above the water level, suffered but little, save through the inconvenience of having to walk and use candles instead of electric lights.

**River Spreads Out.**

Further down the river, the French Broad spreads out to form almost a lake. The plant of the National [illegible] the Carolina West[illegible]

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ville Affected.

Tugging sullenly at the buildings which it still surrounds, as if loath to leave anything standing in its path of devastation, the French Broad river is falling, slowly but surely, and all along its banks, or where the banks formerly were, great crowds of men are already at work, seeking to salvage, as far as possible, something from the wreckage.

Probably the largest crew now at work is employed on the Southern railway concrete bridge, where the water is still backed up by the great masses of timbers and other debris hurled against that structure during the highest stage of the flood Sunday. That the bridge was built to stay is demonstrated by the fact that it is practically unhurt and engineers say that a bridge that could withstand the surge of Sunday's flood against the wreckage piled against it, will be able to stand up under any possible conditions.

**Water Still High.**

Water is still up to the second story windows of many of the plants yet, but high water marks left yesterday showed that the water had fallen considerably during the night. Later figures estimate that probably fifty small homes, located on the banks of the river adjacent to Asheville have been washed away, and there is a probability that this number will be later reduced.

Below the concrete bridge leading to West Asheville, on the West Asheville side, where there was formerly located a small colony of homes, with gardens and crop fields, there is now a lake, caused by the backwater from the Southern bridge. All that portion of West Asheville located along the river banks was hard hit by the storm, and most of the houses washed away were on the West Asheville side of the stream. The big water main, which supplies West Asheville with water, is bursted somewhere above the town, and the water supply is practically cut off. Like Asheville, however, the main portion of the town, being located above the water level, suffered but little, save through the inconvenience of having to walk and use candles instead of electric lights.

**River Spreads Out.**

Further down the river, the French Broad spreads out to form almost a lake. The plant of the National Casket company, the Carolina Wood Products company and the French Broad Manufacturing company are practically ruined, and the damage will run into thousands of dollars. Crops planted along the bottom lands of the river, further down the stream, have been obliterated by the flood, and the loss from this source alone will be considerable.

Thousands of dollars worth of lumber is piled in heaps along the river, the largest stack being just above the West Asheville bridge, where more than $25,000 worth is stacked into one conglomerate heap. Policemen are on duty along the shores and on the bridge to prevent pilfering, and as soon as practicable, the lumber will be separated and returned, as far as possible, to its owners.

Reports from below, while meagre, indicate that the French Broad did a great deal of damage from here to Hot Springs, and perhaps further down the river.

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Another story presented a reporter's eyewitness account of a scene at West Asheville bridge:

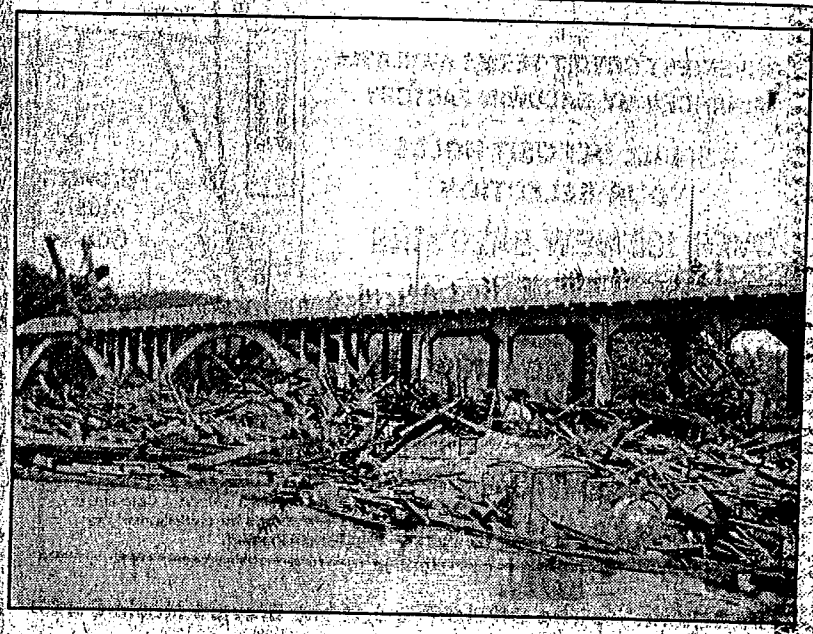
"During the early hours of the day the structure was a living mass of humanity. As the great buildings came floating down the river, and were crumpled into nothing by the terrific impact with the bridge, the crowds almost quivered with sympathy.

"At one time it was suggested to use dynamite and thus relieve the jam at the bridge, but it was noticed that the waters were eating their way into the river bank on the city side of the river, affording a wider channel and this, it was believed, would save the bridge from destruction.

"Among the scores of buildings which came down the river was a garage, containing an automobile. The frame building struck one of the bridge piers squarely. Then it crumpled up and disappeared, automobile with it. Occasionally a dwelling house would strike the bridge, and the cloud of dust from shattered plastered walls, rose in a blinding cloud."

The four-page abbreviated version of the morning newspaper outlined relief efforts and critical situations, such as the lack of ice at area hospitals and the confiscation of all gasoline by the police department for use in ambulances and fire vehicles.

-From the Asheville Citizen (July 13, 1986)



— File Photo

## Wake Of The Flood

**The Old West Asheville Bridge is shown holding back debris following the devastating flood in the early morning hours of July 16, 1916. Twenty-nine persons were killed and property damage was estimated in excess of $3 million when the French Broad and Swannanoa Rivers left their banks.**

FILE photo

Flood destroyed the old Smith Bridge

**Survivors look at collapsed bridge framework. The bridge that replaced it is being replaced again**

Photo, July 16, 1916 Ran in Asheville-Citizen July 16, 1986

# WEST ASHEVILLE ALSO SUFFERS FROM FLOOD

West Asheville, like Asheville, is recovering quickly from the effects of the flood, being, like this city, located principally on the hills, high above the reach of the devastating waters. Like Asheville, West Asheville's principal troubles are the lack of transportation facilities and lights, as well as power.

The most serious problem confronting the people of West Asheville is the water supply. The large main which supplies the town [illegible] has broken, and the water supply is practically cut off. However, there are a large number of springs in the town, and these are supplying the necessary drinking water.

Most of the houses swept away in the rush of the French Broad river were located on the West Asheville side, and many of the homeless are quartered among the people of the other side of the river.

The damage in the town proper, which was injured only by rain, was trivial.

Asheville Citizen July 18, 1916

# WEST ASHEVILLE CAR SERVICE IS RESUMED

## FEARS OF BRIDGE'S SAFETY PROVE GROUNDLESS.

### On Investigation No Sign of Settling of Concrete Bridge Pier Is Found by Engineers.

Street car service to West Asheville was suspended yesterday for about seven hours following reports to the effect that the concrete bridge was unsafe. The street cars stopped running across the bridge at about 10 o'clock yesterday morning and did not operate through the day. All sorts of vague rumors developed, and it was said in some quarters that the bridge had sunk several feet. From other sources it was rumored that a wide crack in the bridge had made its appearance, and the board of county commissioners practically suspended activities for a time in order to investigate the condition of the structure.

The county engineer, chairman W. D. Johnson and Commissioner Buckner all visited the bridge and tests were made. The cause for the fears that were expressed early in the day regarding the bridge's supposed unsafety lay in the fact that there was a slight sag in the curb and hand railing on the up-stream side of the bridge, but not directly over the pier which was reported to be giving away.

After County Engineer Neal and the commissioners gave their assurances to General Manager H. W. Plummer of the Power and Light company that the bridge was safe, the car service across the bridge was resumed at 5 o'clock. The sight of the cars starting out to make the trip to the end of the West Asheville line removed a burden from the minds of West Asheville commuters, for a long stroll was in sight for many residents of West Asheville, who are employed in Asheville.

The report of the county engineer regarding his investigation of the bridge follows:

"To the honorable board of county commissioners.

"Gentlemen:

"Acting on reports which came to me concerning the condition of the West Asheville concrete bridge I made a trip to the site and in company with R. P. Johnson, the engineer who had charge of the construction of the bridge, made an inspection of it as complete as was possible to make without diving down to the foundations, which foundations we tested by sounding with rods. We found nothing at said foundations to indicate that there had been any giving way at that point though we found that the recent flood had washed out down to the bottom of the foundation.

"The matter which has caused alarm is a slight sag in the curb and hand-railing on the up-stream side of the bridge. This is not directly over the pier which is reported to be giving away. I am told by Mr. Johnson that this sag came into the bridge soon after its construction and that it does not appear to be any worse now than then. In fact I am inclined to the belief that this was due to the settlement of the forms at the time the concrete was placed and not to the substructure at all.

"Of course I cannot say absolutely what may happen to the bridge in the future but it is my sincere judgment that there is now nothing to justify any alarm whatever."

# COMMISSIONERS LET BRIDGE CONTRACTS

## COMPANY WILL SALVAGE AND RE-CONSTRUCT STRUCTURES.

### Alexander Road in Terrible Condition and the Road Forces Will Be Increased as Much as Possible.

In session at the court house yesterday, the county commissioners awarded a contract to the Roanoke Bridge and Iron company to salvage the steel bridges washed from the sites of Glenn Shoals, Smith's Pearson's, Gorman's, Alexander's, the mouth of Reem's creek and at the reformatory. It is expected that this bridge company will have the bridges on the Swannanoa river and on Cane creek salvaged and re-erected within ten days. The contract for saving these bridges was awarded immediately after the flood.

All of the bridges, the contracts for which were let yesterday, are to be salvaged within sixty days, according to the terms of the contract, and all that are found possible to re-elect will be re-erected. The Roanoke Bridge and Iron company now has four of its experts at work in the county and will soon have others here.

Several citizens in the vicinity of Glenn bridge have volunteered sufficient free labor, with the exception of expert supervision, to re-erect the Glenn bridge and it is thought that the citizens in the vicinity of other bridges in the county will aid the authorities with volunteer labor.

The work of the bridge company is being somewhat handicapped by reason of its inability to secure a sufficient number of common laborers. The large force of men in the employ of the county in re-construction work is greatly responsible for the existing scarcity of labor. It is found, however, that too many men have adopted the policy of waiting until someone else has done the work.

The Alexander road or the proposed Central highway from Asheville by way of Alexander to Marshall is for miles a waste of stagnant pools and debris of rocks and brush. The bridges and the drain pipes of the road are washed away to such an extent as to render the task of reclamation almost hopeless. The people of Alexander are not only greatly damaged but are seriously inconvenienced. The situation is giving the county commissioners much concern and the road forces in that section will be materially increased so as to afford all possible relief until the bridges at that place can be rushed to completion. The first wagon to travel upstream in that locality since the flood was driven from Flat Creek to Alexander yesterday afternoon. The trip was made possible by the work of the county road force there, which blasted through solid rock for 100 feet on the east river bluff.

**Asheville Citizen August 12, 1916**

# WEST ASHEVILLE IS BEING RAPIDLY PAVED

**With Fair Weather, Work of Putting Down Asphalt is Going Forward Swiftly.**

West Asheville's main street will be one of the prettiest pieces of roadway in this section of the state within a very short time, always provided the weather observer keeps on handing out the present brand of weather. Fair weather not only delights Colonel Cohen, but means a chance to work on the main street of West Asheville, which is being paved with asphalt.

Several blocks from the end of the car line, coming toward Asheville, have already been paved on one side, and if there is any smoother stretch of roadway in Western North Carolina, automobilists are anxious to locate it. Not that travel through West Asheville is all a bed of sunshine and roses as yet.

Parts of the street are extremely rough, due to being torn up in preparation for paving, and recent rains have retarded the work of getting the smooth asphalt in place. But the section that has already been laid is a promise of more to come, and, after testing its qualities, and figuring out what a whole street paved that way will be like, the residents of the town across the river are satisfied to put up with the inconvenience of the rough street for a short time longer.

That the time will be short is indicated by the rapidity with which the present paving has been put in place. Two weeks ago the street was almost impassable, on account of rains and mud, but it is rapidly assuming what will be its future status—the show road of Western Carolina.

Asheville Citizen August 31, 1916

# STUDENTS ORGANIZE AT WEST ASHEVILLE

## MUCH INTEREST TAKEN IN SCHOOL WORK.

### Boys' Debating Society and Girls' Social Club Elect Officers For School Year.

Student organizations of the West Asheville schools are being rapidly perfected, and there is a great deal of enthusiasm among the members of the various literary and debating associations this year. The school has started with a splendid outlook for a successful year, and the interest taken in the various student societies promises an active year's work among these organizations.

The senior class of the high school, which graduates in 1917, has organized by electing officers as follows: Bert Starnes, president; Howard Pinner, vice-president; Mayer Brown, secretary. The class is taking an active interest in school work, and will work, as a body, for the success of the school this year.

The Girls' Social club has been reorganized for the year and the work of the club will be directed by Miss Sutton and Miss Tipton, of the faculty. The following officers were elected: Miss Sarah Penny, president; Miss Margaret Williamson, vice-president; Miss Irene Logan, secretary; Miss Lena Beacham, treasurer; Miss Margie Cook, monitor; Miss Ada Lee Sitton, critic.

The North State Debating society, an organization of boys, also elected officers, and, under the direction of Principal W. T. Jervis and Miss Anderson, of the faculty, will hold declamation and recitation contests, and debates, throughout the school year. The officers of the society are as follows: Howard Pinner, president; Bert Starnes, vice-president; Ray Steelman, secretary; Clyde Westall, treasurer; William Reynolds, censor; W. T. Jervis, critic.

Preliminary contests are to be held at the West Asheville school in anticipation of the county-wide commencement, and it is probable, from present indications, that West Asheville will have at least forty contestants in the various contests held at commencement.

Asheville Citizen September 16, 1916

# WEST ASHEVILLE'S BUILDING PERMITS

**Board of Aldermen Adopt New Speed Ordinance and Accept Patrolman Cowan's Resignation.**

At last night's meeting of the West Asheville board of aldermen building permits aggregating $7,700 were granted. Five of the permits were for new homes in West Asheville.

The board also ordered that a four-foot sidewalk be laid on Pisgah avenue and the city engineer was instructed to survey Hill street preparatory to placing sidewalks there as well. The resignation of Patrolman Cowan was accepted. Traffic ordinances were adopted. The new law limits automobiles to fifteen miles an hour, and to eight miles in the congested district and in the neighborhood of the graded school. The new ordinances are substantially the same as those in force in Asheville.

Building permits were granted as follows:

J. T. Bledsoe and company, dwelling, $1,400.

Lyda Crook, dwelling, $2,400.

Gwyn Edwards, dwelling, $2,000.

J. F. VanValkenburg, two-room addition, $200.

N. H. Grady, dwelling, $1,000.

Troy Crook, dwelling, $700.

Asheville Citizen September 16, 1916

# ATTENTION! LOT BUYERS, HOMEBUILDERS and INVESTORS

Please note the fact that we have acquired the Andrews property —over twenty acres—near end of the West Asheville car line, and have begun its improvement. We have christened this beautiful property the "West Asheville Estates."

Cement Sidewalks, Curb and Gutter, and Improved Streets; Water and Sewerage Systems, with hydrants for fire protection will be installed as fast as the material can be assembled and the work done.

These lots will be put on the market in a few days. Prices will be low and terms exceedingly easy—only $10.00 to $40.00 down, depending on the price of the lot, and 36 monthly payments—NO INTEREST AND NO TAXES.

If you are looking for a home site or investment—"HOLD YOUR FIRE."

## THE ZACHARY DEVELOPMENT CO.

**Telephone 2916.** **Smith Building, Pack Sq.**

Asheville Citizen October 17, 1916

# WEST ASHEVILLE IS FAST DEVELOPING

## NEW ERA IN BEAUTIFYING PROGRESSIVE SUBURB.

### Thriving West Asheville Experiencing Revival and New Era Dawns In That Part of Buncombe.

The growth of West Asheville reads like a story of yesterday—today—and tomorrow. A man does not have to be so old, or even a child quite grown, to remember the West Asheville of yesterday. Only a few years ago, the homes of that city could be counted on your fingers. It was along about this time that so many people heard the call of Horace Greely—"Go west my boy—go west" and after much preparation for the long journey, they found their promise land, just across the river, in what is now regarded as the fastest growing residential section in Western North Carolina— and known as West Asheville.

Right near the end of the car line lies a beautiful tract of land that has been known for years as the "Andrews" property which has recently been acquired by the Zachery Development company and given the name of "West Asheville Estates." It would indeed be a very hard proposition to find anywhere a piece of land that could be developed into prettier or more attractive home sites. The location is just right, high and dry commanding a beautiful scenic view and in fact, the tract as a whole is ideal, without fault or blemish.

The wonderful growth and development that has made the West Asheville of today, has been so out of the ordinary, in that it holds a record that has attracted the eye and interest of many men and much capital, the future of the town has become a topic of much discussion.

The West Asheville of tomorrow, will be but budding out into its glory and starting on its journey to an untold future of beautiful homes when the Zachery Development company has completed their plans of development in the beautiful West Asheville estates. Read very carefully every word they say—then consider the West Asheville of yesterday—today and tomorrow and your decision will be without argument. With the beginning of this movement starts a new opportunity for the home-seeker or investor, backed by plans and methods, so complete in their purpose to meet the demands of modernism that should readily appeal to the far-seeing people of Asheville and vicinity.

The members of this firm, together with their co-workers come here highly recommended for their successful work in developing property of this character into beautiful suburban home-sites.

Asheville Citizen November 1, 1916

# NEW CHURCH FORMED IN WEST ASHEVILLE

**Has Forty-One Members and Rev. H. G. Bedinger Is Ordained As Evangelist.**

On last Sunday the Presbyterian church in West Asheville was organized. A commission composed of Rev. R. F. Campbell, D. D., Rev. R. P. Smith, D. D., Rev. E. L. Siler, F. E. White and D. S. Watson met the congregation and organized the church. Forty-one members, nine of whom were received on profession of their faith in Jesus Christ, were received into the new church. After the organization was effected three ruling elders were elected, ordained and installed—O. L. Kiser, W. H. White and W. T. Snyder, all of whom have been deeply interested in developing this church and whose efforts have for some time been in this direction.

Rev. H. G. Bedinger, who has been supplying this church, was ordained and installed as evangelist in Asheville presbytery. In addition to this work he will act as assistant to Rev. R. P. Smith in the extensive work of this presbytery.

The new church in West Asheville has bright prospects for rapid growth in this developing town across the river. The members of the church expect in the course of a few years to abandon the temporary building in which they now hold their services and erect a modern building suited to the needs of the congregation and which will be a credit to the community. They have already secured one of the choice lots of West Asheville on Haywood road near the end of the car line where they expect to erect their church building.

Asheville Citizen November 1, 1916

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# DIRT! DIRT! DIRT!

## Do You Like to See Dirt Fly? Then Go Out to

# "WEST ASHEVILLE ESTATES"

and see the dirt fly as we push the grading of the Streets. By the way, you can not do better than to buy some of that dirt.

Values in West Asheville are having a good, steady, healthy growth. If you can buy a lot in

# "WEST ASHEVILLE ESTATES"

your only regret will probably be that you bought only one. The lots are cheap. A good judge of realty values here tells us, considering the full complement of Improvements we are installing, they are too cheap!—and,the

# TERMS?

They simply make the dullard, the man half asleep, sit up and "take notice."

Only $10.00 to $40.00 down and 36 equal monthly payments.

NO INTEREST and NO TAXES. Do you comprehend what this means to you? We pay all the Taxes for Three Years and charge you absolutely No Interest if you meet your little payments when due; these terms alone are worth a hundred dollars on an average priced lot, as compared with the old tax-ridden, interest-eaten system of selling real estate.

Can you afford to miss it? Can you afford to be tardy in selecting your Lot? whether for home site or investment. The lots are selling rapidly—quite a number have already been sold—your first choice may be the next one to go. Wake up, beat the "other fellow" to it and let us line you up for an "Estate!" It will do you good all your life, make you money while you sleep—a good savings bank that will make you much more money than ordinary interest, and will be a long step towards forming the good real estate habit that will make you a landed proprietor.

# "WEST ASHEVILLE ESTATES"

afford one of the most enchanting views of the many lovely views of our Asheville and West Asheville, for we are all native "Tar Heels" together and feel a patriotic pride in the beauty, growth and prosperity of these cities.

"Lives there a man with soul so dead,
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Opportunity knocks at your door now. Remember: "Procrastination is the thief of time."

FREE AUTOMOBILE SERVICE

## THE ZACHARY DEVELOPMENT CO.

Smith Building (Over Smith Drug Store)

PACK SQUARE

Asheville Citizen November 4, 1916

# WEST ASHEVILLE ESTATES

# LOTS ARE GOING FAST

## DO NOT DELAY 11/11/16

## *This Property*

Formerly Known as the

## *"Andrews" Property*

Has Been Acquired By Us and Is Now Being

## *Handsomely Improved*

by the installment of the public utilities. It is located between Brevard Road and the Sand Hill Road near the end of the present West Asheville car line; a fifteen-minute car service making it quickly and conveniently accessible.

## *"West Asheville Estates"*

We are pleased to announce to the good people of Asheville and West Asheville that the sale of lots in this beautiful addition is now going on.

We mean to make "WEST ASHEVILLE ESTATES" a first class addition for first class people; i. e., it will be a highly improved reasonably restricted location for home sites when the work under way is finished.

## *Improvements*

City water through ample mains; sanitary sewerage and storm sewers; granolithic sidewalks and cement curb and gutter; fire hydrants for fire protection, and well graded and improved streets, will give to this fine property a distinctive character far above that of any other location in West Asheville.

TAKE NOTICE—We do not wait for the city to put in above improvements, but are doing it ourselves now as fast as the necessary men and material can be commanded—weather permitting. Our forces are not, as yet, fully organized, but—

## *The Work Has Commenced*

and will be pushed to completion. It is seldom that property of this high character is sold at the low prices and on the sensationally easy terms which we offer. The fully improved lots will range from $400 and up; there will be a few cheap lots, not fully improved, at $300 and below.

## *Restrictions, Etc.*

There will be no restrictions except such as are absolutely necessary for the protection of the lot buyer and the home builder; they will not be onerous or burdensome.

A—The building requirements on fully improved lots will be from $1,000—$1,500—$2,000—$2,500 to $3,000—according to location. On a few of the cheapest lots there will be no building limit. That means the great majority of homes will exceed the minimum limit, as is always the case in restricted additions, so a man can build a handsome and expensive home feeling assured that no little dilapidated shack will depreciate values in his immediate neighborhood.

B—There will be a building line of 25 feet, more or

C—The property is not to be sold, rented or otherwise disposed of to persons of African descent.

D—No liquor, or ardent spirits are to be sold or manufactured upon this property.

E—That the layout of the estate, or parcel of land hereby sold, as shown in the plan of "WEST ASHEVILLE ESTATES" shall be adhered to and no scheme of facing the main house to be built on said lot or lots in a different way from which said lot or lots are faced on said plan shall be permitted without special permission, where it will not be to the detriment of any neighboring lot.

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## *Terms*

ONLY $10.00 TO $40 CASH, ACCORDING TO PRICE OF LOT, THE BALANCE IN 36 EQUAL MONTHLY PAYMENTS.

## *No Interest and No Taxes*

We are not here to add our quota to the bringing about of an unhealthy and effervescent boom in prices of West Asheville realty, but having selected and acquired a beautiful and intrinsically valuable property, we purpose installing therein, as promptly as may be, all the convenient utilities to which city bred people are accustomed and making sale of our lots at fixed prices—treating all purchasers alike. We make all dispositions at private sale, appealing to the business common sense of the man or woman who desires a safe investment or desirable home site where values will increase.

Hence we employ no red flags, brass bands or chromo schemes to attract buyers by noise and rattle, but rely implicitly and confidently upon the intrinsic merit of our proposition and the good business sense of the people.

Polite and attentive salesmen will be on the ground to show you lots and take your application for purchase on printed forms provided for the purpose.

The great improvements now going on in West Asheville portend an early advance in realty values.

BUY NOW. This is the tide in YOUR affairs—take it at the flood.

Besides the members of the firm, our salesmen are Mr. James E. Vaughn and Mr. George B. Best.

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# BRIDGE MATTERS BEFORE THE BOARD

## Commissioners Hear Arguments For New and Restoring Old Bridges.

A delegation headed by Richmond Pearson, M. D. Long, H. J. Olive and Mr. Treadway appeared before the board of county commissioners Tuesday and argued for the restoration of the bridges destroyed by the summer floods, at their old sites. The delegation was assured by the board that it had been its intention to rebuild these bridges, but it had not closed the contracts for the rebuilding of Smith's bridge and the bridge at Riverside park, because of the fact that the approaches of Smith's bridge were in the limits of Asheville and West Asheville, and one approach of the Riverside bridge was in the city of Asheville limits. It was explained to the delegation, that the county commissioners thought it best to wait for legislative authorization for the construction of the bridges. Members of the delegation still argued that the two municipalities would never oppose such construction, whereupon the board stated that legislative action should be secured within a few days.

The delegation appearing later presented a resolution adopted at a mass meeting of some of the people affected by the destruction of the bridges at Long Shoals, Smith's, Riverside park and Alexander, which called attention to a resolution of the board passed immediately after the flood to the effect that it would be the purpose of the board to restore bridge and highway facilities to all communities as good as those existing before the flood, as soon as it could be done; and it was asked that the sense of this resolution be carried out. It was asserted that 20,000 people were interested in the reconstruction of the four bridges.

The delegation was informed that steps had already been taken to have the Alexander bridge replaced, part of the old structure to be used. It was also noted that the commissioners had received a bid to replace three of the bridges for about $33,000, and the inference was that the letting of the contracts for the two bridges in which the delegation seemed most interested was held up only until the legislature had acted.

Members of the delegation expressed the opinion that Smith's bridge might be replaced for $10,000 or $12,000, as the old piers were still standing, and it was also stated that George W. Pack had furnished the greater part of the money for the construction of the Riverside park bridge with the understanding that it was to be maintained. It was also argued that the construction of the proposed overhead bridge near the Murphy junction would mean an expenditure of about $60,000 and might entail an expenditure of twice that amount with the necessary approach roads.

Great stress was placed on the inconvenience that would ensue to a large number of workers on the other side of the river, if the two bridges were not replaced, and the injury to real property in the same event.

Sometime ago citizens of the Sandy Mush, Leicester and Newfound sections appeared before the board and requested that the county erect an overhead bridge at Murphy Junction, on the ground that it would better serve the people than the rebuilding of the Smith's and Riverside park bridges.

Asheville Citizen January 2. 1917

# CITY BOARD URGED TO BUILD NEW APPROACH

**At Meeting of Civic Organizations Resolution is Adopted Urging New Approach to West Asheville Bridge.**

At a joint meeting of the city's civic organizations, held in the board of trade rooms yesterday afternoon, a resolution was adopted and a committee appointed to call on the city commissioners urging a better approach to the West Asheville bridge. No specific recommendation as to any route was made at the meeting.

There were present members of the Buncombe Good Roads association, board of governors of the Asheville Motor club, the directors and chairmen of the various divisions of the board of trade. Charles E. Waddell presented plans in detail for a new approach to the West Asheville bridge. The plans were discussed and the discussion was followed by the adoption of a resolution stating that there should be a more suitable approach to the bridge than that now built, but without recommendation as to any special route or plan. A committee was appointed to call on the city commissioners at an early date and urge the investigation of all the different routes suggested and the taking of such steps as they may see fit to have a more suitable approach built. The following committee was appointed: Canie Brown, president of the board of trade; E. C. Chambers, of the Good Roads association; R. N. Beadles, vice-president of the Motor club.

Asheville Citizen January 25, 1917

# WEST ASHEVILLE ANNEXATION BILL OFFERED SENATE

## Bill Prepared by Representative Roberts Introduced by Senator Jones.

## DESIGNED TO GIVE BILL AMPLE TIME

## Great Number of Local Bills Passed by Senate—This Section Affected.

Citizen Bureau,
Raleigh, N. C.,
February 26.

(By W. J. Martin.)

In the senate tonight Senator Jones introduced the bill providing for election on the proposition for the consolidation of Asheville and West Asheville. The measure provides that West Asheville shall vote on an annexation to Asheville and Asheville shall vote on taking in West Asheville, a majority in favor of the proposition being necessary for annexation.

The bill was drawn by Representative Roberts and was introduced tonight in order to assure its having ample time to get through the legislative mill by Saturday.

**Number Local Bills.**

The senate passed a great number of local bills tonight including: Extend municipal suffrage in Bryson City; encourage development of Eastern Carolina; include Madison in statewide primary; protect the county fair at Spruce Pine; three additional trustees for Appalachian Training school; additional members of the Madison board of education.

The senate voted down a motion by Burgwyn to re-consider vote by which the house bill was passed to allow the justices of the Supreme court $100 each and expenses for examining and licensing new lawyers at the opening of each term of the court.

The senate heard spirited discussion on the Scales bill to require railroads and all persons, corporations and firms to record all rights of way and easements within ninety days after receiving them and passed with one amendment limiting its application to those procured after the measure is ratified. This brought from Scales a motion to re-refer as the amendment had "drawn the teeth" of the measure, this was done.

Senator Brenizer had passed a bill to repeal the Hutchinson bill as to graves in Mecklenburg.

**Limit Speeches.**

A rule was adopted to prevent considering any bill over thirty minutes and limiting individual speeches to five minutes first and three second.

The committee shaping up the Pegram and the Brenizer bills providing machinery for municipal government in this state under the constitutional amendments worked all afternoon with public hearing, especially on features for control of franchises and shaping other portions of the bill. It was agreed to have the initiative, referendum and recall apply to no system of municipal government unless especially adopted. It had been drawn as an essential portion of commission form.

The committee will hold an executive session tomorrow morning and perfect the bills, the Pegram bill to most probably take right of way.

Report back to the house will follow at the morning session so that second roll call reading can be given Tuesday. Since the section as to extending corporate limits has been looped off under the ruling of the Supreme court, the bill is understood to be in very generally satisfactory shape.

There was a long committee hearing tonight on the bill which has already passed the senate embodying the crop lein legislation on which the Farmers' union and Governor Bickett agreed.

There were numbers of people here, especially from eastern and central counties opposing the bill. Time was divided between advocates and opponents of the bill.

The committee holds executive session tomorrow morning.

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Asheville Citizen January 27, 1917

# MISS WADDELL GETS SUFFRAGE BILL COPY

**Measure Introduced By Representative Gallatin Roberts Provides For Suffrage By Local Option.**

Miss Maude Waddell, of the Asheville Equal Suffrage league, who is a member of the publicity committee of the state organization, received yesterday from Chief Justice Walter Clark of the State Supreme court, a letter enclosing a copy of Gallatin Roberts' bill which confers municipal suffrage by local option. Judge Clark refers to this method as the one by which the stock, prohibition, good roads, and school taxation laws were adopted.

The bill is entitled "An act to authorize any city or town to amend its charter to confer municipal suffrage on the women." It provides for a petition signed by one-tenth of the votes cast at the last previous municipal election to be presented to the board of aldermen of any town or city ten days before the first Monday in April of any year asking for the election to amend the charter as to admit woman suffrage.

The said election shall be ordered, according to the bill, to be held on the first Monday in April at the usual polling places and to be held in the manner required by law for other elections. All adults, over twenty-one years old, not otherwise disqualified, but irrespective of sex, shall be competent to vote at the election, the amendment to be decided by a majority of all the votes cast. If the election is carried by the petitioners, women over the age of twenty-one may vote at all elections held in the city or town for any municipal purpose.

Asheville Citizen January 28, 1917

# BOOKS AND PICTURES GIVEN BY COL. RAY

**Colonel J. M. Ray, Who Likes to See Books at Work, Starts Public Library For West Asheville.**

Colonel J. M. Ray is just as old as Asheville—although he doesn't look it. In other words, Colonel Ray was born the same year that Asheville was incorporated. Asked when this was, Mayor J. E. Rankin replied that Colonel Ray could, if he wished, give the desired information.

But whenever that was, it was several years ago, and Colonel Ray has seen many and wonderful changes in Asheville since then. He has kept pace with the growth of the city, however. He remembers the time when the ground now covered by the federal building was a place to be shunned by teams. It was a low place, and the land there was boggy. Teams were easily mired and the place had an unenviable reputation, says Colonel Ray. Since those days Asheville has prospered, and a suburb of many homes has arisen across the city, and so Colonel Ray has transferred his activities to that younger branch of Asheville.

"I have many books," said he, "and I have always liked to see my books at work. So I started a library across the river, over there in West Asheville."

The public library of West Asheville is composed of 100 volumes, donated by Colonel Ray, with many pictures, enough in fact, to line the walls of the two rooms which are at present the home of the library. The books are of various kinds and are being read by the children and the grown people, too. They are at work, as Colonel Ray expressed it, and this is what books are for. There will be, eventually, a room in the new school building provided for the library, where the books will be more accessible to the 700 school children.

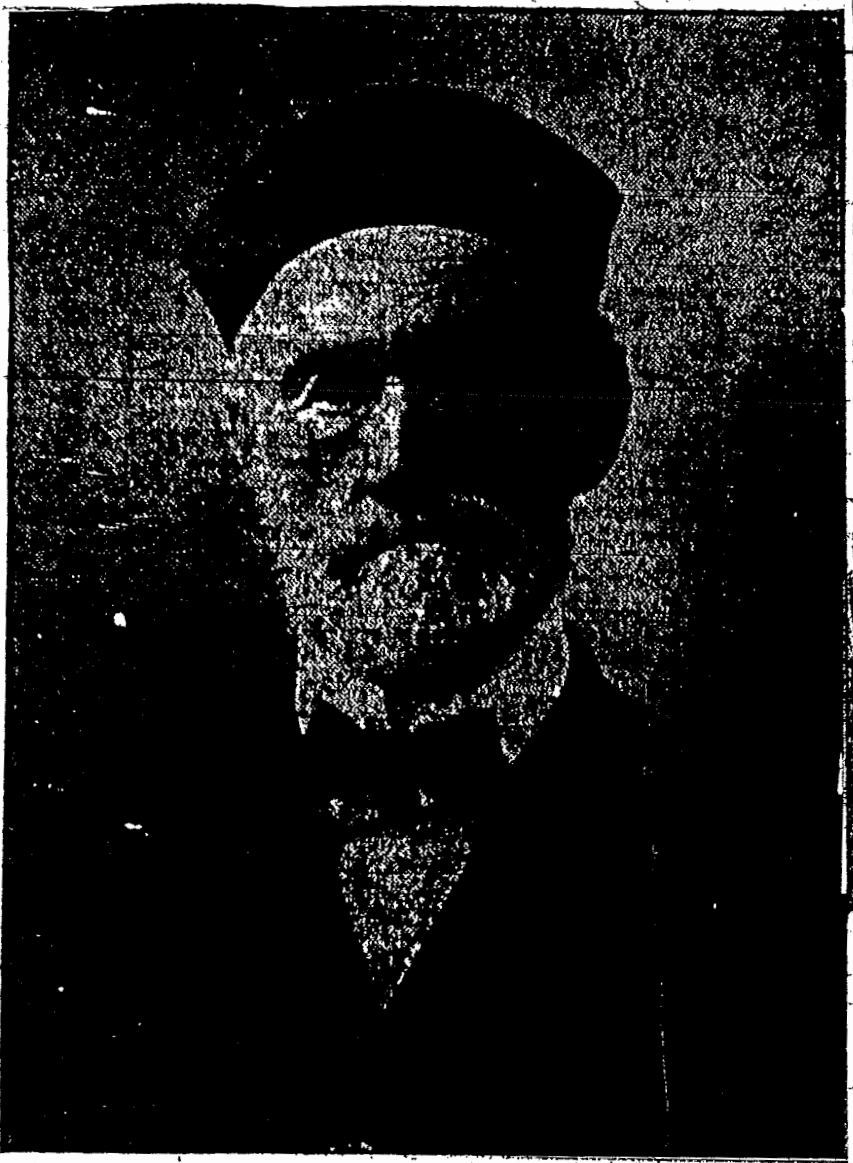
"I hardly know of a town which has grown, without the stimulation of oil or gas discoveries, like West Asheville has during the past few years," said Colonel Ray, the other day. "It has every natural advantage required for a big city, and personally that is my opinion of what West Asheville will some day be."

Asheville Citizen February 1, 1917

# FOUNDATION OF WEST ASHEVILLE LIBRARY LAID BY CAPT. J. E. RAY

## HE "LOVES TO SEE HIS BOOKS AT WORK"

**Noted Veteran, "As Old as Asheville," Gives 300 Books as a Start to Library Across the River, For the town in Which He is Taking a Great Interest.**



CAPT. J. E. RAY,
Founder of West Asheville's Public Library.

Some day, when West Asheville has doubled and trebled its present population of 4,000 people, its citizens will point to a library building there, with well filled shelves and a big reading room, and say:

"Yes, Captain Ray—Captain J. E. Ray, you know—started that library."

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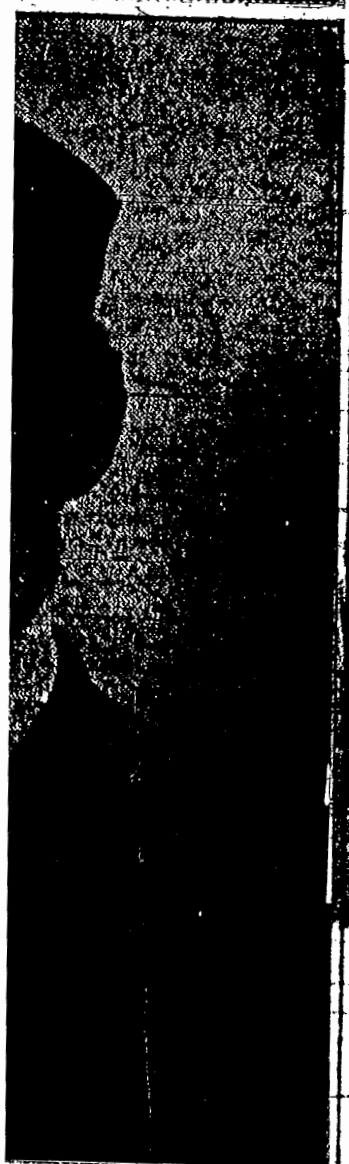

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So this is evidence that the library is about to catch up with the town in its growth. For without doubt, others, inspired by the example of Captain Ray, will add still more books to those soon to be placed in this room, and so the list will grow and grow until a building all its own is demanded for the West Asheville library. And Captain J. E. Ray will have been responsible for it all.

Captain Ray is as old as Asheville, which is his home. He was born on the same day that the city was incorporated, but his looks and personal appearance are deceiving in this respect. He says he likes to see his books at work, and although he has many and loves them all, still he decided to part with at least 300 of them that others might enjoy them too. That is the kind of a man Captain Ray is. He has seen Asheville grow from nothing to its present importance. He has seen West Asheville start its remarkable growth to a town of importance. During all these years, with a record of brilliant service in the Confederate army, his heart is still as young as it was sixty years ago, and that, after all, it is the only thing that counts, declare those who have thought deeply on such matters.

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# ASHEVILLE WOMEN TO VOTE UNDER NEW ACT

## MUNICIPAL SUFFRAGE ACT TO BE INTRODUCED.

### Buncombe Representatives Will Introduce and Work For Passage Law Allowing Asheville Women to Vote.

A bill is to be introduced in the general assembly to amend the charter of Asheville so as to confer municipal suffrage upon the women of this city, writes Chief Justice Walter Clark of the Supreme court to Miss Maud Waddell, of the Equal Suffrage associatoin's state publicity committee.

The bill will be introduced by Gallatin Roberts, and Mr. Roberts and his colleagues, Church Crowell in the house and Judge Thomas A. Jones in the senate, will work for its passage. Chief Justice Clark personally is one of the strongest advocates of equal suffrage in the state or in the south, and his advocacy of the reform has ever been a tower of strength to its friends, it is pointed out. He is one of the many who object to classing women, as is now done under the law, among those incompetent to vote. The law reads: "Idiots, lunatics, convicts, illiterates and women," who are the only adults disqualified to vote.

The conferring of the right of suffrage upon the women of Asheville opens up a wonderful vista of possibilities. What those possibilities are depends entirelly upon the view point of the individual. Some will say woman suffrage here means a better and more beautiful city with women having a voice in the election of the city's governors. Others will say just the opposite. If, in addition to the rights of suffrage the bill should also confer upon the woman the right to hold office, still more promising complications may result. For then the women would demand a seat among the city commissioners. Instead of three men in the city hall there might be only two men and one woman. There is already one congresswoman in Washington, it is pointed out, with more coming soon. In fact, men fear that Asheville women might decide to occupy all three seats now filled by men in the city hall.

When this possibility of woman suffrage was drawn to the attention of politicians yesterday, they absolutely refused to discuss the proposition. One became pale and said he wasn't feeling very well and would the questioner mind waiting a few minutes until he had, in a measure, grasped the situation? But if the women shall be allowed to fill the seats of the mighty or only allowed to say who shall fill those seats, there are wonderful possibilities contained in the bill soon to be introduced by Buncombe's representatives.

The many advocates of equal suffrage refer to the following extract from a speech by Chief Justice Clark as containing unanswerable arguments for woman suffrage, if not all over the state at least in Asheville.

**Justice Clark's Speech.**

The learned justice said:

"Many good men oppose equal suffrage because they are against any change of any kind, or because they have not really considered the arguments in its favor, and the justice of granting it, or on other grounds satisfactory to themselves. Thousands of good men favor granting the measure and this number is steadily increasing here, as in the rest of the world. Every man has a right to his own opinion. But there is one class of men from whose ranks the cause makes no converts. No man of a bad moral character or who is a confirmed drinking man ever favors the cause. They are always 'unalterably opposed' to it.

"It will be asked 'Are there n bad women?' Certainly, the record of our court and of our jails and our penitentiaries show that, on a average, one woman is tried or convicted for every twenty-five men. Th admission therefore of women to t suffrage will greatly increase the pr ponderance of the moral element politics and candidates for office w think this will be against their inte ests are always 'unalterably opposed No argument can convince them.

"They say that woman's sphere the home. That is true, except as the large number who have to work for a livelihood outside of the home. But it is to the interest of the public that the 'home' should be given the vote.

"Then there is the negro question which always bobs up. We do not disfranchise white men on the plea that negro men might vote. Why shall we disfranchise 250,000 white women because 150,000 negro women might possibly vote? Every one knows that the negro men show no desire to vote and the negro women will be very much less disposed to do so. The flippant assertion that the negro men were disfranchised to protect the white women is untrue. Color had nothing to do with it and protection was always given in a speedier method if a court trial was not sufficient. It is strange that 250,000 white men in North Carolina should be refused the aid of 250,000 white women in good government on any pretext that this will disable them from being as well protected as now, or are these 'chivalrous gentlemen' seeking to protect themselves against the negro women? The white women do not desire to be disfranchised in order to be protected, by the present classification which groups them as incompetent together with 'idiots, lunatics, convicts, illiterates and women,' who are the only adults disqualified to vote.

"The women of the state are as intelligent and as generally educated as the men, and they will not be satisfied with the humbuggery and flimsy excuses of those politicians who seek to keep the women barred from all share in the government because certain men fear their votes.

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# WEST ASHEVILLE ANNEXATION BILL OFFERED SENATE

## Bill Prepared by Representative Roberts Introduced by Senator Jones

## DESIGNED TO GIVE BILL AMPLE TIME

## Great Number of Local Bills Passed by Senate—This Section Affected

Citizen Bureau,
Raleigh, N. C.,
February 26.
(By W. J. Martin.)

In the senate tonight Senator Jones introduced the bill providing for election on the proposition for the consolidation of Asheville and West Asheville. The measure provides that West Asheville shall vote on an annexation to Asheville and Asheville shall vote on taking in West Asheville a majority in favor of the proposition being necessary for annexation.

The bill was drawn by Representative Roberts and was introduced tonight in order to assure its having ample time to get through the legislative mill by Saturday.

### Number Local Bills.

The senate passed a great number of local bills tonight including: Extend municipal suffrage in Bryson City; encourage development of Eastern Carolina; include Madison in statewide primary; protect the county fair at Spruce Pine; three additional trustees for Appalachian Training school; additional members of the Madison board of education.

The senate voted down a motion by Burgwyn to re-consider vote by which the house bill was passed to allow the justices of the Supreme court $100 each and expenses for examining and licensing new lawyers at the opening of each term of the court.

The senate heard spirited discussion on the Scales bill to require railroads and all persons, corporations and firms to record all rights of way and easements within ninety days after receiving them and passed with one amendment limiting its application to those procured after the measure is ratified. This brought from Scales a motion to re-refer as the amendment had "drawn the teeth" of the measure, this was done.

Senator Brenizer had passed a bill to repeal the Hutchinson bill as to graves in Mecklenburg.

### Limit Speeches.

A rule was adopted to prevent considering any bill over thirty minutes and limiting individual speeches to five minutes first and three second.

The committee shaping up the Pegram and the Brenizer bills providing machinery for municipal government in this state under the constitutional amendments worked all afternoon with public hearing especially on feature for control of franchises and shaping other portions of the bill. It was agreed to have the initiative, referendum and recall apply to no system of municipal government unless especially adopted. It had been drawn as an essential portion of commission form.

The committee will hold an executive session tomorrow morning and perfect the bills, the Pegram bill to most probably take right of way.

Report back to the house will follow at the morning session so that second roll call reading can be given Tuesday. Since the section as to extending corporate limits has been lopped off under the ruling of the Supreme court, the bill is understood to be in very generally satisfactory shape.

There was a long committee hearing tonight on the bill which has already passed the senate embodying the crop lein legislation on which the Farmers' union and Governor Blokett agreed.

There were numbers of people here, especially from eastern and central counties opposing the bill. Time was divided between advocates and opponents of the bill.

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# NEW $18,000 BLOCK FOR WEST ASHEVILLE

**Dr. G. D. Gardner Awards Contract For Five-Story Building in Town Across the River.**

Dr. G. D. Gardner yesterday awarded the contract for the erection of a five-story business block in West Asheville, to be located close to the West Asheville bank. The excavation for the building has already been started and it is expected the building will be ready for occupancy this spring. The first floor has been leased for five years to an Asheville firm. The upper stories of the building will be rented for apartments.

West Asheville shows a steady growth. There are now about fifty residences either being erected or contemplated and it is said the demand for renting property in West Asheville is as strong as in Asheville. The growth of the town across the river, it has been pointed out, started from that time the concrete bridge was built across the French Broad river. Since that bridge has been completed West Asheville has grown to a town of approximately 4,500 people, and its taxable valuation has increased manyfold.

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WEDNESDAY, MARCH 14, 1917.

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# CONTRACT AWARDED FOR SMITH'S BRIDGE

## REQUARTH COMPANY FOUND TO BE LOWEST BIDDER.

### Concrete Structure Will Be Started as Soon as Possible and Is to Be Finished in 135 Working Days.

At a meeting held yesterday, the board of county commissioners awarded the contract for the construction of Smith's bridge to C. W. Requarth and company. The bridge will be of concrete, will cost $23,633, and by the terms of the contract will be completed in 135 working days. The contract will be signed at the court house tomorrow. A bond, covering one-third of the amount of the construction price, has been posted by the bidder and a sum equivalent to twenty per cent of the estimated cost, will be held by the county until the bridge has been accepted.

Bids were advertised for the construction of three French broad river bridges and were received on March 1. The Luten Bridge company's bids for two of the bridges were accepted and the bids for the Smith's bridge were rejected as being too high, after they were carefully examined by County Engineer T. M. Howerton and State Highway Engineers Craven and R. P. Coble.

Bids were again advertised for the bridge, to be submitted on March 14, upon a design submitted by Mr. Howerton and the state engineers. The Luten company and Requarth again submitted bids, which were held open for a time to permit the county engineer to examine them closely and figure the estimated cost as covered by the price submitted and the rate of excavating and providing sub-structures. After this consideration, the Requarth company was declared the lowest bidder and on Friday the representative of the company here was asked if he would accept a contract at the price submitted on March 14. He communicated with his company and with material dealers, giving his acceptance of the contract to the board yesterday.

A resolution was passed by the board yesterday, concerning the proposed bridge at Murphy junction. Engineer Howerton was directed to make specifications and designs for the bridge and submit the same for the consideration of the county board.

The construction of this bridge has been advocated for some time by many residents of the county, who have appeared regularly before the board at its recent meetings, and requested that a concrete overhead bridge be constructed at that point. The bridge, if built, will be an expensive structure, estimated to cost in the neighborhood of $100,000, it is claimed that it will be of great material benefit to a large number of people in the western section of the county. The matter will probably be more fully discussed at the May meeting of the county board.

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# BINGHAM INSPECTED BY U. S. ARMY OFFICER

Captain James E. Ware, United States army, made the annual inspection of the cadet battalion at Bingham Military academy yesterday. Captain Ware is an officer of the Twenty-Second Infantry regiment, stationed at Governors' Island, New York. While he was unable to say much about the average made by the cadets, he seemed pleased with their showing.

He said that Bingham school is one of the best in its class in the south and that it stands high in the estimation of the war department. He found the school in good condition and in about the same shape that it is always in. Captain Ware said that the attendance is rather low, but that the battalion is otherwise satisfactory. An inspection was made of the men, their equipment and quarters.

Asheville Citizen April 21, 1917

# LARGER FIRE LIMITS FOR WEST ASHEVILLE

**Board of Aldermen Appoints Election Officials and Will Advertise for Sidewalk Bids.**

The West Asheville board of aldermen at their Friday night session established new fire limits for the town, appointed poll holders for the special election to be held in June and decided to advertise for bids for the construction of new sidewalks.

W. R. Carter was appointed registrar for the coming election, and R. B. Worley and C. H. Chunn, judges. The registration books will be open for new voters, and poll taxes must be paid before May 1 by those who intend to vote. The election will be in the Odd Fellows hall.

The board adopted new building ordinances, established fire limits for business buildings from concrete bridge to Dill's Rest, for 100 feet on either side of the Haywood road. Concrete walks were ordered laid on West State street from Haywood road to Electric street, and the city engineer was instructed to advertise for bids for the work. Several petitions were received for sidewalks and sewers but no action taken on them. The mayor issued his writ for a jury to assess damages and benefits as a result of recently graded streets. The streets to be viewed by the jury are Swannanoa, Michigan, Hanover and Louisiana.

The following building permits were issued:

R. C. Penland, addition to store building $1,000.

E. B. Wright, concrete business block, $1,200.

H. D. Cook, two-room addition, $300.

J. W. Case, residence, $650.

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# TO HOLD EXERCISES AT WEST ASHEVILLE

**Eight Members of Graduating Class Will Hear Dr. Chas. W. Byrd Speak.**

Annual graduation exercises at West Asheville Graded school will start tonight at the Balm Grove Methodist church. The baccalaureate sermon will be delivered there tonight at 8 o'clock by Dr. Charles W. Byrd, pastor of the Central Methodist church of Asheville.

The exercises will continue tomorrow afternoon, Tuesday afternoon and night. The graduation class is composed of Thomas Albert Starnes, Mary Whitaker Brown, Howard Melton Pinner, Ora Elizabeth Moses, Oscar Eugene Cowan, Georgia Wilma Fairchild, Foster Piercy Carter and Sara Mae Penney.

The marshals of the exercises are William Wilson Reynolds, chief; Howard M. Pinner, Charles M. White, Margie Cathwright Cook and Pearl Darlington Sams.

The program for the opening day follows:

Monday, April 23, 8 p. m.

Recitation contest for J. G. Anderson medal.

Chorus—Barcarolle.....Offenbach-Warhurst.

"Laureame, the Marble Dream"...
...Edith Dunning Banks
Margie Cook.

"Jamie".....Myerat
Mary Hazell Bennett.

"The Confessional".....Pinner
Ruth Jones.

Solo, "If I Built a World for You"
Herbert Fordwych
Sara Penney.

"The Debutante".....Pinner
Annie Corbin.

"Lace".....Phelps
Evelyn Hensley.

"The Telephone Romance".....Kent
Florence Griffin.

"The Raven".....Poe
Lena Mae Hoacham.

Piano Solo—Valse.....Chopin
Lena Beckham.

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# SCHOOL BUILDINGS NEARING COMPLETION

**Interior Work Is Being Done at West Asheville, Biltmore and Barnardsville Schools.**

Work at Woodin school is progressing rapidly, Superintendent W. H. Hipps said yesterday, and all efforts will be made to complete the new building as soon as possible. The water line to the school has been finished and is now in operation. The work has also been started on the new West Buncombe school building.

A meeting will be held tomorrow afternoon at 2 o'clock by the county board of education, the school committee and the members of the advisory committee to discuss and agree upon a location for the Black Mountain school. Superintendent Hipps will also be present and the architect is expected to attend the meeting. Plans for the building will probably be presented and adopted if they prove satisfactory.

The new school building at Barnardsville is practically completed and the same is true of the new West Asheville school. There is considerable interior work, such as painting, plastering, and the installation of fittings still to be done at both buildings.

The contractor who is constructing the new Biltmore school building is engaged on the roofing of the brick structure. Most of the exterior work has been finished and the plastering has been started. Mr. Hipps said that the Barnardsville, West Asheville and Biltmore schools will be finished soon and that the work on the Woodin, West Buncombe and Black Mountain schools will be rushed.

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# BUILDING PERMITS ISSUED BY ALDERMEN

## WEST ASHEVILLE BOARD IN REGULAR SESSION.

### R. B. Edwards Is Appointed Registrar to Succeed W. R. Carter, Resigned—Paving Is Ordered.

Ten building permits for construction of residence, garages and for various additions and repairs, the estimated costs totaling $4,100, were granted last night by the West Asheville board of aldermen at its regular meeting. It was indicated that the spring and summer building activities will be greater than ever before, in spite of the war.

R. B. Edwards, principal of West Asheville school, was appointed registrar for the coming annexation election in the place of W. R. Carter, who has resigned. Mr. Edwards will have charge of the registration of all voters in the election.

It was ordered by the board that Westwood place be paved with asphalt from Haywood road to Mills Creek road, a distance of about 1,800 feet. The Noll Construction company was instructed to proceed with the work under its original contract. Mayor J. L. Crook was instructed to advertise for bids for grading State street, a part of Hanover street, and Pennsylvania avenue from Hanover street to Central avenue.

The list of building permits follows:

H. E. Hames, garage, $50.
A. J. Cairnes, storeroom, $100.
R. M. Miller, garage, $75.
A. L. Henry, garage, $75.
Arthur Potts, two-room residence, $400.
Tom Mix, one-room addition, $100.
H. B. Hughes, four-room residence, $750.
W. V. Felmet, garage, $100.
C. W. Byerly, six-room residence, $2,250.
R. C. Outlaw, bathroom and repairs, $200.

Clean-up week will start in West Asheville next Monday. The mayor and board of aldermen have arranged for all rubbish to be carted away and the people are asked to deposit boxes, cans and barrels of their trash in front of their doors. Wagons will stop for the trash at some time during the week.

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Asheville Citizen March 12, 1917

# SIDEWALK ORDERED IN WEST ASHEVILLE

Only a short session was held last night by the board of aldermen of the town of West Asheville, in its regular weekly meeting. An order was passed, authorizing that a concrete sidewalk be laid on Hanover street from Haywood road to Fourth avenue, a distance of about 1,500 feet.

Clean-up week, which is coming to a close in West Asheville, is proving a great success. The trash wagons of the town have been busy carrying away all sorts of refuse and discarded household articles.

Asheville Citizen May 12, 1917

# MASS MEETING CALLED FOR WEST ASHEVILLE

## TO PASS ON PROPOSED LAND PURCHASE.

### Called for Tomorrow Night by Mayor and Aldermen to Discuss Transaction Involving Factory Sites.

West Asheville citizens will be given an opportunity to express their wishes in regard to the purchase of land by the city, to be used as factory sites, at a mass meeting which has been called by Mayor J. L. Crook and the members of the board of aldermen for tomorrow night. The mass meeting will be held in the West Asheville school building and a large percentage of the taxpayers of the town is expected to attend.

The land in question is known as the old race track property ,and contains about fifty acres. It has a river frontage, is all bottom land, and is located about a mile north of the concrete bridge, just south of Hominy inlet. It is offered to the town at a price of $250 an acre, totaling about $12,500.

The property contained a race track about seventeen years ago and has never been improved. It has been used for many years as a pasture and is said to be ideal land for factory sites.

The question of purchasing the property has been discussed by the town for some time and it is believed that such a purchase will be met with the entire approval of the citizens. A large delegation of West Asheville people appeared before the board of aldermen at its meeting on Friday night and spoke in favor of the proposed purchase.

It was stated last night by a member of the board of aldermen that applications have been made by two or three companies, who desire to establish plants in West Asheville and he said that it is possible that other industrial firms and corporations will also apply for sites, if the city should buy the land.

He said that it is the tentative plan of the town to offer the sites free to any responsible concern, which would erect a permanent building and enter into manufacturing. It was said that there would be no issue of bonds to cover the purchase price but that if the land is secured it will be under a general obligation to the town and notes will be given in payment.

The consideration of this purchase is in line with the general development of West Asheville. The corporate limits of the town are wide and real estate activities are at their height. Many new dwellings of all descriptions are being erected and West Asheville has a good system of streets and a concrete road that is second to none in the county and which is the joy of motorists.

The new school building is nearing completion and when finished will be one of the most handsome educational structures in the county system. It is made possible by a bond issue voted last year by the citizens of the district, and which was carried by a large majority.

All the citizens of West Asheville are invited to attend the meeting tomorrow night as the mayor and aldermen are unwilling to take a step resulting in the purchase of the property unless it shall be in concordance with the will of the majority of the people [illegible]

Asheville Citizen March 18, 1917

# WEST ASHEVILLE HAS BIG MASS MEETING

An enthusiastic mass meeting was held at West Asheville last night for the purpose of discussing the matter of inducing factories to come to West Asheville. The meeting was called by Mayor James L. Crook, who presided, and the members of the board of aldermen.

A committee, composed of R. J. Worley, J. W. McElroy and J. C. Penland, was formed to co-operate with the committee from the chamber of commerce and to secure definite propositions from parties who own suitable property that can be made into factory sites. A discussion of the purchase of the old racetrack property on the French Broad river was held and the opinion of those present seemed divided. A further meeting probably will be held soon to hear the committee's report.

Asheville Citizen April 3, 1917

# W. ASHEVILLE SCOUTS WILL MEET TONIGHT

An important meeting of the Boy Scouts, troop 1, West Asheville, will be held tonight. Scoutmaster J. Brainerd Thrall announced that he iwll examine those ready for the tenderfoot test. Those who pass will be enrolled as full-fledged scouts and their names will be sent to the headquarters at New York for enrollment.

Those who wish to join are requested be present 45 minutes before the meeting, so that it will not hinder with the regular meeting. The regular meeting will start at 7:45 o'clock and the feature will be a military drill. The meeting will be at the West Asheville school house.

Asheville Citizen June 2, 1917

SATURDAY, JUNE 2, 1917

# W. ASHEVILLE ALDERMEN TO AID ROAD JUBILEE

The West Asheville aldermen last last night donated $25 toward the fund for carrying out the celebration of the completion of the new road fro mthe concrete bridge through the town. As soon as the date is known, committees will be named and the program perfected.

Rev. J. J. Gentry and Rev. H. D. Bedinger asked the board to have the Sunday closing law more rigidly enforced and the mayor was instructed to see that this is done.

A jury was appointed to go over Michigan avenue to assess benefits and and damages and a number of citizens appeared before the board to ask for paving improvements. Judge J. D. Murphy requested that Louisiana avenue be paved and this matter will be discussed again today. The Presbyterian and Calvary Baptist churches were exempted from sidewalk assessments and several building permits were issued for small structures.

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**Asheville's building permits, a million and a quarter dollars for 1916; more than a million dollars' worth of construction work under way and contract during January, 1917. Progress!**

## POINTS OF INTEREST IN AND NEAR ASHEVILLE.

| | Miles |
|---|---|
| Asheville Country Club, 18-Hole Golf Links Charlotte Street Car Line | 3 |
| Grove Park Inn and View of Western Mountains (car line) Sunset Mountain | |
| Albemarle Park, Club and Manor (car line), Charlotte Street. | |
| Langren Roof Garden, corner College and Broadway. | |
| Battery Park Hotel and View Battery Park Hill. | |
| Biltmore Village, Biltmore Avenue (car line) | 2 |
| Biltmore Estate Drives | 14 |
| West Asheville, Across the French Broad River (car line) | 3 |
| Grace, via Merrimon Ave. (car line) | 2 |
| Riverside Park on French Broad River (car line) | 2 |
| Bingham Heights and School, beyond Riverside Park | 3 |
| Kenilworth Drive | 2 |
| Grove (exclusive) Autoway, via Charlotte St. | 5 |
| Summit of Sunset Mountain, 3,117 ft. | 5 |
| Sunset Drive (carriages only) | 5 |
| Richmond Hill Drive | 2 |
| Mt. Pisgah (5,749 ft), via Pisgah Motor Road | 26 |
| MOUNTAIN MEADOWS INN AND DRIVE | 7 |
| Round Knob, rail or drive | 26 |
| Black Mountain, rail or drive | 16 |
| Montreat and Bluemont (community of Christian workers,) rail or drive | 19 |
| Leicester, drive | 12 |
| Strawberry Hill, Juanda, Lindley Training School, drive | 5 |
| Hendersonville, rail or drive | 21 |
| Tryon, foot Saluda Mountain, rail or drive | 42 |
| Saluda, about 1,000 ft. higher than Tryon | 34 |
| Waynesville, rail 28 miles, drive | 31 |
| Junaluska, Lake and Chautauqua Grounds, rail 26 miles, drive | 26 |
| Brevard, rail 40 miles, drive | 32 |
| Toxaway, Lake and Inn, rail 60 miles, drive | 80 |
| French Broad River Drives | 10 |
| Swannanoa River Drives | 12 |
| Water Works Gravity Line, Intake at foot of Mt. Mitchell in the Craggies | 18 |
| Marshall, rail or drive | 21 |
| Beaverdam Valley Drives | 8 |
| Weaverville, asphalt drive | 9 |
| Weaver Power Plant, French Broad River, rail | 13 |
| Dula Springs, via Weaverville, drive | 10 |

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# WILL HOLD MEETING IN WEST ASHEVILLE

There will be a mass meeting of West Asheville citizens held tomorrow night in the Od Fellows' hall, for the consideration of the annexation election on June 9. Prominent men will address the meeting and again the matter will be thoroughly discussed and from the different points of view of those interested.

The ladies are especially invited to attend this meeting and a "Greater Asheville" will be the theme of all the speakers of the night.

Asheville Citizen, June 6, 1917

THE ASHEVILLE CITIZEN, ASHEVILLE, N. C., WEDNESDAY, JUNE 6, 1917.

# GRAND TOTAL OF 5,276 MEN REGISTERED IN BUNCOMBE COUNTY

## Buncombe's Roll of Honor

| | White | Colored | Aliens | Total |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Asheville | | | | |
| Precinct 1 | 226 | 467 | 9 | 702 |
| Precinct 2 | 133 | 60 | 6 | 199 |
| Precinct 3 | 176 | 54 | 3 | 233 |
| Precinct 4 | 227 | 64 | 5 | 296 |
| Precinct 5 | 197 | 38 | 0 | 235 |
| Precinct 6 | 198 | 427 | 10 | 635 |
| Haw Creek | 50 | 10 | 0 | 60 |
| Biltmore | 174 | 44 | 1 | 219 |
| West Asheville | 265 | 35 | 0 | 300 |
| Hazel (estimated) | ... | ... | . | 80 |
| Reynolds (estimated) | ... | ... | . | 254 |
| Avery's Creek (estimated) | ... | ... | . | 85 |
| Lower Hominy | 86 | 1 | 0 | 87 |
| Upper Hominy 1 | 74 | 0 | 0 | 74 |
| Upper Hominy 2 | 90 | 0 | 1 | 91 |
| Leicester 1 | 151 | 5 | 0 | 156 |
| Leicester 2 | 84 | 1 | 0 | 85 |
| Sandy Mush 1 | 88 | 0 | 0 | 88 |
| Sandy Mush 2 | 57 | 1 | 0 | 58 |
| French Broad (estimated) | ... | ... | . | 60 |
| Reem's Creek | 180 | 11 | 0 | 191 |
| Flat Creek | 95 | 1 | 0 | 96 |
| Ivy 1 (estimated) | ... | ... | . | 150 |
| Ivy 2 (estimated) | ... | ... | . | 80 |
| Swannanoa | 115 | 13 | 0 | 128 |
| Black Mountain | 165 | 27 | 1 | 193 |
| Fairview | 106 | 1 | 0 | 107 |
| Total registered yesterday | | | | 5,075 |
| Total with previous registration | | | | 6,276 |

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# MASS MEETING

## TONIGHT, 8 P. M.

—AT—

## ODD FELLOWS HALL

## West Asheville

Purpose of meeting is in consideration of the consolidation question. Prominent speakers of both Asheville and West Asheville will address the meeting.

## GREATER ASHEVILLE

Consolidation means territory in which Asheville can grow.

Consolidation means Better Schools, Cheaper Water, Better Fire Protection, Better Police Protection.

*Everybody Invited and Especially the Ladies.*

Asheville Citizen June 7, 1917

# COMING ELECTION WILL BE QUITE DIFFERENT

## FIRST TRIAL OF SECRET BALLOT ON SATURDAY.

### The Ballots Are Printed and in Charge of City Purchasing Agent Lee.

The annexation election to be held here and in West Asheville on Saturday is exceptionally noteworthy in that will be the first election held under the provisions of the recently enacted Australian ballot law.

The ballots are now in charge of City Purchasing Agent Lee and they are kept under lock and key. In size they approximate an ordinary business letterhead and to vote for or against the proposition all the voters need to do is place a mark in one of the two squares on the sheet. In this case, therefore, only marked ballots will be counted. There are sample ballots, precisely like the regular ones, ready for the officials. That is, they are precisely like them except they are of an entirely different color. The provisions of the secret ballot law are so ample and yet so very simple, that fraud would seem to be an impossibility.

Thirty-one booths have been provided for the voters, and it is unlawful for anyone to come within 100 feet of the booth except the voter and the officials. The voter casts his ballot in absolute secrecy. He enters the booth; his name is announced; if his name is properly on the registration book, he is handed a ballot; before the judge gives him the sheet of paper he marks the registration number of the voter and the initials of the judge on the top margin; the voter retires to the booth, places an X mark in the square either for or against the proposition, folds the ballot and hands it back to the judge who places it in the box without unfolding it. The ballots are numbered. Judges must receipt for the ballots at the office of the purchasing agent at least twelve hours before the polls open. He must account for exactly the same number after the election is over.

The polls will open at 5:12 o'clock in the morning and will close at 7:46 o'clock at night. After the ballots have been counted and the result of the election tabulated, the mayors of Asheville and West Asheville will constitute the canvassing board to announce the result. This must be done within forty-eight hours of the close of the election. The penalties provided in the law for any violation of its provisions are severe. There must be no electioneering, no banners, no crowd within a specified distance of the voting booth. No one will be able to see how the individual in the booth votes and he is left alone and undisturbed.

Contrasted with previous elections here the election of Saturday will be quite different.

SUNDAY MORNING, JUNE 10, 1917 PRICE FIVE CENTS

# GREATER ASHEVILLE CREATED BY VOTE CAST YESTERDAY

## West Asheville Decides to Expand By a Majority of Eight Votes.

## ASHEVILLE GIVES MAJORITY OF 157

## Vote Was Light in Both Towns—Australian Ballot Initiated.

At sunset yesterday Mayor Rankin became chief executive of Greater Asheville and 5,000 people were added to the census of Asheville by a majority of 165. The consolidation election, thus carried in Australian ballot booths soaked in a steady downpour of rain on their first appearance in this section, had a hard fight in West Asheville, the margin in favor of expansion being eight there while Asheville gave a majority of 157. Asheville polled a total vote of 571 out of a normal municipal vote of 2,200; and of this number 364 were cast for and 207 against the proposition. The west side of the French Broad cast a total of 330 votes, or about half the voting strength, 161 citizens opposing the measure to 169 for it. The consolidation becomes effective immediately with its ratification by the majority in each community and Secretary-Treasurer Frank Conder will officially notify the mayors that the two municipalities have become one. A majority in each community was necessary to carry the election.

The development of West Asheville in the past few years has been a marvel of city growth. From a small village with red mud shoe mouth deep in the streets it has steadily grown and improved its public and private property until it is now a place noted for its paved streets and its beautiful homes. Last year a $40,000 graded school building was erected, one of the finest in the state, but it is too small even now for the rapidly growing school population. The people have shown the progressive spirit that does things.

"This is an age of co-operation, centralization of effort and responsibility by all those whose aims are in common," said a West Asheville-Asheville man last night, "and this spirit in the two places made consolidation a logical result."

West Asheville now has an assessed valuation of $938,000 and Secretary Conder thinks it will jump to at least $1,000,000 when the next assessment is made.

In the six Asheville precincts, only the fifth voted a majority against consolidation. The vote there was 22 for and 27 against. The vote by precincts was as follows:

| Precinct | For | Against |
|---|---|---|
| First | 28 | 17 |
| Second | 40 | 31 |
| Third | 118 | 54 |
| Fourth | 68 | 50 |
| Fifth | 22 | 27 |
| Sixth | 68 | 28 |
| Total | 364 | 207 |

The voting in the early morning hours was light in Asheville and the rain which trickled down the necks of those who ventured into the booths to make out their ballots with no one to molest or make them afraid, added little to the enthusiasm of those who had remembered to pay their poll tax. One man did not even know that both municipalities had a chance to vote on the question.

Contemplating the mushy ground and the dripping canvass at one voting place in Asheville, a city official gave expression to an idea that may be carried out some day in the near future. This plan is for the establishment of six small buildings in the various precincts that can serve for rest rooms, a place to stop and chat a while and a polling place on election day. These buildings would not be large or expensive, but they would be comfortable, dignified, and would constitute additional attractions to the city. They would be worthy of a city that has just taken a long step forward toward the 50,000 mark in population, which is expected to be attained in the next decade.

With the consolidation settled, the school bond election, postponed until it was known whether West Asheville would share in that event, will be put under way again. The amount originally set for the bond issue was $150,000; it is not known today whether the result of yesterday's election will call for a larger issue to provide additional school facilities, besides completing and furnishing the new high school.

Asheville now has a population of about 27,000, not including those places that are properly suburbs but which have not yet enlisted under the banner of Greater Asheville. It is predicted that the next few years will see Grove park, Kenilworth and perhaps other flourishing communities added to the metropolis—the mother-city.

# West Asheville Became Part Of City In 1917

For many years, "growing pains" of the Town of West Asheville had been nearing the acute stage. It happened on June 9, 1917, when the consolidation election was held, with Asheville proper annexing the expanding sister town across the river by a small majority of only eight votes out of 330 polled.

This "eked out" victory by the consolidation faction went on record at the final meeting of the Town Board of Aldermen, following a meeting June 11 at Asheville's City Hall to canvass the vote. This was done by a joint committee from the City and the Town.

J. E. Rankin was mayor of the City and J. L. Crook was mayor of the Town. Members of the last Board of Aldermen for West Asheville included the mayor, J. D. Dermid, C. M. Johnson, H. E. Hames, Dr. J. G. Anderson and F. B. Ingle.

Signing the documents for the City of Asheville were the mayor; J G. Stikeleather, secretary of the joint committee; and D. Hiden Ramsey of the Board of Commissioners. Ramsey was Commissioner of Public Safety and Stikeleather was Commissioner of Public Works.

In the Town of West Asheville vote on the matter of joining "big sister across the river," there were 169 votes in favor of the union and 161 against it.

Charles W. Dermid, Asheville commissioner of public works and son of J. D. Dermid, one of the last aldermen of West Asheville, provided the old documents and picture for this report on the last days of West Asheville as "a town."

Although World War I was on the horizon, those were "easy going" days for the most part, and "a dollar would get you three or four dollars (circa 1951) worth of goods."

(During that year in West Asheville, J. B. Hill built a three-room house for $300, J. W. Lakey erected a four-room residence for $600 and S. J. Morgan constructed a five-room dwelling for $700, according to building permits approved by the Board of Aldermen).

The following was taken from the old record in City Hall vault:

"Pursuant to the provision of an Act of the General Assembly of North Carolina, entitled 'An Act to Consolidate the City of Asheville and the Town of West Asheville, in the County of Buncombe,' the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the Town of West Asheville, and the Mayor and Commissioners, of the City of Asheville, met in joint session at City Hall of Asheville at 1 p. m., June 11, 1917, to canvass the vote."

The figures were then cited and the adoption of the report and canvass was moved by Mayor Rankin of Asheville and seconded by Dr. J. G. Anderson. It was attested by Stikeleather, secretary of the joint committee, and Mayor Crook of West Asheville, who served as chairman of the joint canvassing committee.

The document was signed for West Asheville by the other members of the Board of Aldermen—Dermid, Johnson, Hames and Ingle. It also was signed by Commissioner Ramsey of Asheville.

In another document prepared and passed by the West Asheville Board, it was pointed out that it was necessary to transfer all of the property—real, personal and mixed—of the Town of West Asheville to the City of Asheville. This action was moved by Anderson and seconded by Johnson, and the city clerk, H. B. Posey, was authorized to execute and deliver to the City of Asheville "any, and all, necessary deeds, conveyances, transfers and instruments proper and requisite, to transfer to, and vest in the City of Asheville the title to all property, real, personal and mixed, of every kind and description owned by the Town of West Asheville."

WHEN THE TOWN CAME TO THE CITY—This shows the last Board of Aldermen of the Town of West Asheville as the Town voted to consolidate with the City of Asheville on June 9, 1917. Front row, left to right: J. D. Dermid, Mayor J. L. Crook and Dr. J. G. Anderson. Left to right, rear, are C. M. Johnson and F. B. Ingle. The other member of the board, not shown, is H. E. Hames. All members are deceased.

That was 34 years ago this summer. Some sidelights of the period showed:

The tax levy for 1917 was: real estate and personel property, 75 cents on each $100 for sinking fund; 15 cents for general funds; and five cents for streets; with street tax set at $3.

E. B. Wright and H. Pumford were named plumbing inspectors.

Approval was given for paving Swannanoa, Michigan, Louisiana, Tremont and Hanover Streets and Sand Hill Road.

Further, a sidewalk was approved for Hanover Street.

The Town's plumber was putting in a water line on Tremont Street to the Franklin property.

Two of the consolidation election judges resigned. They were C. H. Chunn and R. J. Worley. Replacements were C. M Dills and Hugh Sowers

St. Paul's Negro Church was erected at a cost of $750.

J. H. Buckner built a barn for $100. C. C. Hutchinson erected one for $25 and Mrs. E. Wilder constructed a similar structure for $30 Mrs. Wilder also built a garage for $20.

The Asheville Power and Light Company filed a written acceptance of a franchise granted June 1.

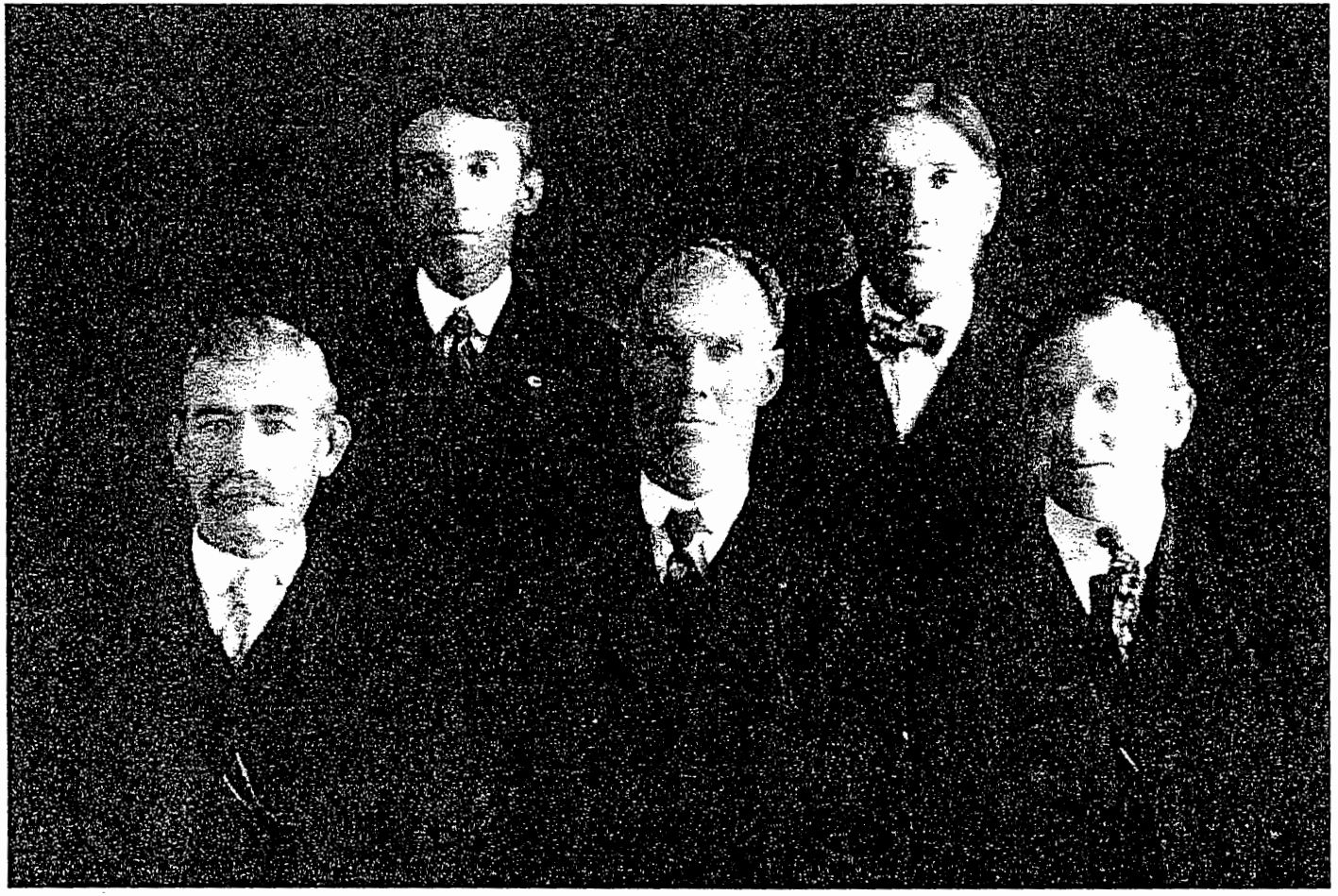
F. Zimmerman built a potato house for $100 and W. S. McCrary made extensive repairs to his residence at an outlay of $150.

W. O. Newton built two residences in Greenwood Park for $2,400; and the J. T. Bledsoe Company built a residence on Pennsylvania Avenue for $2,500.

And so the Town of Asheville "faded away" as a municipality.

This was the consolidation of the period, but for many years there would have been a heavy vote against the move. West Asheville residents just didn't like the idea of being "swallowed up."

And they never have been.



These men were members of the last Board of Aldermen of the Town of West Asheville. (Left to right) Front row: J.D. Dermid, J.L. Crook, mayor, and Dr. J.G. Anderson. Back row: C.M. Johnson and F.B. Ingle. Not pictured: H.E. Hames. When West Asheville residents voted to join with "the big sister across the river," there were 169 votes in favor of the union and 161 votes against it.

SATURDAY EVENING EDITION

# VOTING BOOTHS ARE PLACED FOR ELECTION

**Annexation Election Today Will Be First Election Held Under Provisions of Australian Ballot Law.**

The little voting booths required by the Australin ballot law for the annexation election today have all been placed and the poll holders have receipted for their ballots. They must return the same number, in one form or another. At the city hall yesterday it was said that the total cost of the first election held under the provisions of the Australian ballot law would cost about $2,000.

There have been thirty-one of the booths made. They are constructed of frame with a canvas covering and may be used over and over again. As this is a city election only, the number of booths required, as compared with what will be required in a county election, is small. The next time they will be used will be for the $150,000 school bond election, to be held probably some time in August.

The polls will open today at sunrise, or 5:12 o'clock, and will close at sunset, or 7:46 o'clock. The registrars are supposed to be at the pools one-half hour before the time set for their opening. This means that the officials will either have to stay up all night or else set their alarm clocks at an unusual hour.

The result of the election will be decided by a majority of the votes cast in both Asheville and in West Asheville. There seems to be more interest taken in the matter in West Asheville than on this side of the river. It is impossible to even estimate the number of votes that may be cast for it is not known how strong the organized effort will be.

The following are the poll holders for the election:

For West Asheville W. R. Carter is the registrar and C. H. Chunn and R. B. Worley judges, while the following will serve in Asheville: Registrar, W. R. Gudger; judges, S. W. Radford, Dr. C. E. Cotton; 2—Registrar, W. W. West, judges, B. F. Bernard, V. S. Lusk; 3—Registrar, C. W. Malone; judges, J. A. Nichols, H. B. Carter; 4—Registrar, C. H. Grindstaff; judges, S. W. Waldrop, R. C. Goldstein; 5—Registrar, A. H. Felmet; judges, B. F. Westmoreland, W. F. Merrill; 6—Registrar, E. B. Powell; judges, C. Leonard, Girdwood Cochrane.

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SATURDAY, JUNE 9, 1917

# ANNEXATION ELECTION WILL BE HELD TODAY

## LITTLE INTEREST SHOWN IN EVENT TO DATE.

### Majority of Votes Cast Will Decide Whether West Asheville Comes Into Asheville.

The little interest manifested in the election today and which is to decide the proposal to annex West Asheville to Asheville, is generally commented upon. A majority of the votes cast in each of the two municipalities will be required to decide in favor of annexation and yesterday it was generally predicted that the vote would be a light one.

There have been a few meetings held in West Asheville to discuss the proposed consolidation and it is understood that the sentiment there, at one time about evenly divided, now leans somewhat towards the proposal to join with Asheville. Among the arguments advanced by those favoring the annexation may be mentioned desired opportunity for further civic expansion, denied now by the new financial act passed by the last legislature. In other words, it is understood that West Asheville can borrow no more money for civic improvements, but that as a part of this city still more money might be secured for these improvements.

Should the community on the other side of the river become a part of Asheville, it was said yesterday, it would be accorded the same treatment Asheville receives at the hands of the city commissioners. This would mean a fire station built there, and many additional policemen, among other advantages. One of the arguments used by both sides in West Asheville is the change in telephone charges the annexation would mean. Those favoring the consolidation declare that telephone charges would then be less while others declare they would remain the same.

One matter that is not mentioned but which is only awaiting the result of today's election to again come to the front, is the new approach to the concrete bridge across the river. Plans have been drawn for this new approach and the matter has been discussed by the city commissioners. One set of plans, it is said, call for the expenditure of $100,000 on this proposed approach. At the time the matter was brought to the attention of the city board it was suggested that the only way the approach could be financed was by a bond issue.

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Unless there is some organization to bring out the voters today the election may be settled by a comparatively few, it is pointed out. There does not seem to be much organized effort on either side of the question, so far as Asheville is concerned, and nothing like the normal vote of the city is expected to be cast today.

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ASHEVILLE, N. C., SUNDAY MORNING, JUNE 10, 1917

# UNDER AUSTRALIAN BALLOT CITIZENS CAST VOTES TO ANNEX WEST ASHEVILLE

## About 5,000 Population and Large Amount of Territory is Added to Asheville's Resources—Little Interest Taken and Light Vote Cast.

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E, N. C., SUNDAY MORNING, JUNE 10, 1917

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## West Asheville Decides to Expand By a Majority of Eight Votes.

## ASHEVILLE GIVES MAJORITY OF 157

## Vote Was Light in Both Towns—Australian Ballot Initiated.

At sunset yesterday Mayor Rankin became chief executive of Greater Asheville and 5,000 people were added to the census of Asheville by a majority of 165. The consolidation election, thus carried in Australian ballot booths soaked in a steady downpour of rain on their first appearance in this section, had a hard fight in West Asheville, the margin in favor of expansion being eight there while Asheville gave a majority of 157. Asheville polled a total vote of 571 out of a normal municipal vote of 1,200 and of this number 364 were cast for and 207 against the proposition. The west side of the French Broad cast a total of 330 votes, or about half the voting strength, 161 citizens opposing the measure to 169 for it. The consolidation becomes effective immediately with its ratification by the majority in each community and Secretary Treasurer Frank Conder will officially notify the mayors that the two municipalities have become one. A majority in each community was necessary to carry the election.

The development of West Asheville in the past few years has been a marvel of city growth. From a small village with red mud shoe mouth deep in the streets it has steadily improved its public and private property until it is now a place noted for its paved streets and its beautiful homes. Last year a $40,000 graded school building was erected, one of the finest in the state, but it is too small even now for the rapidly growing school population. The people have shown the progressive spirit that does things.

"This is an age of co-operation, centralization of effort and responsibility by all those whose aims are in common," said a West Asheville-Asheville man last night, "and this spirit in the two places made consolidation a logical result."

West Asheville now has an assessed valuation of $988,000 and Secretary Conder thinks it will jump to at least $1,000,000 when the next assessment is made.

In the six Asheville precincts only the fifth voted a majority against consolidation. The vote there was 11 for and 27 against. The vote by precincts was as follows:

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| Fifth | 11 | 27 |
| Sixth | 68 | 36 |
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The voting in the early morning hours was light in Asheville and the rain which trickled down the necks of those who ventured into the booths to make out their ballots with not time to molest or make them afraid, added little to the enthusiasm of those who had remembered to pay their poll tax. One man did not even know that both municipalities had a chance to vote on the question.

Contemplating the already growing and the dripping chestnut on the voting place in Asheville, a city official gave expression to an idea that may be carried out some day in the near future. This plan is for the establishment of six small buildings in the various precincts that can serve as rest rooms, as a place to step and chat

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# GREATER ASHEVILLE BY YESTERDAY'S VOTE

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With the consolidation settled, the school bond election, postponed until it was known whether West Asheville would share in that event, will be put under way again. The amount originally set for the bond issue was $150,000; it is not known today whether the result of yesterday's election will call for a larger issue to provide additional school facilities, besides completing and furnishing the new high school.

Asheville now has a population of about 27,000, not including those places that are properly suburbs but which have not yet enlisted under the banner of Greater Asheville. It is predicted that the next few years will see Grove park, Kenilworth and perhaps other flourishing communities added to the metropolis—the mother-city.

## A Larger Asheville

By a majority of approximately 165 votes, the people of Asheville and West Asheville have sanctioned what has been happily termed the "marriage" of the two municipalities, and Asheville, as we know it today, will have her population increased by 6,000, giving the larger Asheville a population close to 30,000. So that with such a start the vision of 50,000 people for Asheville in five years is not far-fetched, but very likely to become a material fact.

In welcoming West Asheville into the city fold, The Citizen feels sure that all differences of opinion will disappear in the common desire to make the most of a new era in our municipal life. We are well aware that there were many of Asheville's conservative business and professional men who looked with misgiving on the proposed annexation, but they were not inclined to be vindictive about the matter. Of course, it is to be regretted that so small a vote was drawn out by such an important question, but it is doubtful if a different verdict would have been rendered with a larger expression at the polls.

The responsibility for civic advancement lies equally with the two municipalities affected, and The Citizen believes that it is warranted in saying that all classes of citizenship will pull together for the common good.

TUESDAY, JUNE 12, 1917.

# CANVASSING BOARD MET YESTERDAY

**No Change in Figures First Announced—Thought That Transfer Will Be Made at Once.**

Work of canvassing the vote in Saturday's annexation election and steps looking towards the transfer of the property and government of West Asheville to the city of Asheville, were begun at noon yesterday when the mayor and aldermen of the suburb met with the city commissioners in the municipal building. The two boards will have placed upon their minutes a statement that the vote was canvassed and that the consolidation is formally proclaimed.

A canvass of the figures, made after Mayor J. L. Crook, of West Asheville and Commissioner Stikeleather had been elected chairman and secretary of the joint session, showed no change from those announced in the papers Sunday morning. The majority in West Asheville was eight and in the city 157.

Mayor Rankin made a few remarks, during which he said that speaking for himself and for his fellow commissioners, he pledged the very best endeavors of the board towards conducting the affairs entrusted to them in the most efficient manner possible.

It was thought yesterday afternoon that an inventory of the personal property of the West Asheville board will be taken today and that the transfer will take place immediately.

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WEDNESDAY MORNING, JUNE 13, 1917.

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# TWO WEEKLY DRILLS AT WEST ASHEVILLE

Interest in the weekly drills at West Asheville has been stimulated to such an extent, that the men of the newly annexed section have asked that the drills be held twice a week. These military drills are under the supervision of Lieutenant John Hunnicutt, of Company F, and there are about forty men who take an active interest in the drilling.

Lieutenant Hunnicutt was unable to conduct the drill last night and Sergeants McCormick and Sumner took charge of the squads in his absence. The close order movements have been taught to the West Asheville contingent and the men across the French Broad River will learn further military rudiments. The next drill will be held tomorrow night.

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# STARTS ANTI-TYPHOID CAMPAIGN NEXT WEEK

## DR. SEVIER EXPECTS BIG LIST OF APPLICANTS.

### County Physician Will Conduct Treatment in Various Parts of the County for Term of Six Weeks.

Dr. Dan E. Sevier, the county physician will launch his third annual anti-typhoid campaign here next Monday, June 25.

Dr. Sevier will keep the campaign going for seven weeks and will visit twenty-one places in the county, including the Asheville court house, where he will be on six consecutive Saturdays, from June 30 to August 4, inclusive. Judging by the success of the two former campaigns, Dr. Sevier expects to break the record this year, as the people of the county are educated in the anti-typhoid methods that are used by modern physicians.

The treatments are free to the public, and no fee for the serum is charged. There is nothing compulsory about being inoculated, but three treatments, each one week apart, are necessary to complete the inoculation.

It is only necessary to be inoculated against typhoid fever once every four years, and Dr. Sevier emphasizes the point that those who took the treatment last year or in 1914 need not apply for inoculation this year. The inoculation is under methods approved by the state board of health, and specially prepared serum, in air-tight, antiseptic containers, is used.

The treatment is practically painless, it causes no open sore, slight discomfort and no loss of time. It is administered to children as well as adults, the quantity of serum injected varying, in respect to the age of the person being inoculated.

While Asheville and Buncombe county are well drained, the water is pure and in no part of the county are the conditions such as would discourage the spread of typhoid as in this county. Dr. Sevier states that the campaign is purely a preventive one. There are only a few cases of typhoid here in the past year, and the greater majority of the patients contracted the disease elsewhere. Visitors as well as residents and citizens of the county may be inoculated.

Following is Dr. Sevier's schedule for the campaign:

Sandy Mush, Waldrop's store, Monday, June 25-July 2-9, 11 a. m. to 1 p. m.

South Turkey Creek, Wells' store, Monday, June 25-July 2-9, 2 to 4 p. m.

Leicester, Tuesday, June 26-July 3-10, 11 a. m. to 1 p. m.

Juno, Tuesday, June 26-July 3-10, 2 to 4 p. m.

Candler, Wednesday, June 27-July 4-11, 11 a. m. to 1 p. m.

West Asheville, end car line, Wednesday, June 27-July 4-11, 2 to 4 p. m.

Avery's Creek, Old Z. N. Lapsley store, Thursday, June 28-July 5-12, 11 a. m. to 1 p. m.

Arden, Thursday, June 28-July 5-12, 2 to 4 p. m.

Dickey Lumber plant, near Ridge Crest, Friday, June 29-July 6-13, 11 a. m. to 1 p. m.

Black Mountain, Friday, June 29-July 6-13, 2 to 4 p. m.

Democrat, Monday, July 16-23-30, 11 a. m. to 1 p. m.

Weaverville, Whitemore store, Monday, July 16-23-30, 2 to 4 p. m.

Fairview, Tuesday, July 17-24-31, 11 a. m. to 1 p. m.

Cash's Creek, John Sorrells', Tuesday, July 17-24-31, 2 to 4 p. m.

Riceville, Wednesday, July 18-25-August 1, 11 a. m. to 1 p. m.

Pickens' school house, Swannanoa, Wednesday, July 18-25, August 1, 2 to 4 p. m.

Elk Mountain Mills, Thursday, July 19-26-August 2, 11 a. m. to 1 p. m.

National Casket plant, Ramsey store, Thursday, July 19-26-August 2, 2 to 4 p. m.

Haw Creek, Johnson's store, Friday, July 20-27-August 3, 11 a. m. to 1 p. m.

Biltmore, Medley Brothers' store, Friday, July 20-27-August 3, 2 to 4 p. m.

Asheville, county court house, Saturday, June 30-July 7-14-21-28-August 4, 11 a. m. to 4 p. m.

Asheville Citizen June 15, 1917

# TO ORGANIZE COMPANY AT WEST ASHEVILLE

**Interest in Drills Has Grown and Fifty Young Men Will Meet at School Tomorrow Night.**

More than fifty West Asheville young men, who have been drilling for the past several weeks, will hold a meeting at the West Asheville school tomorrow night for the purpose of perfecting the organization of a military company there.

The idea for weekly drills originated with a few of the young men and several others speedily became interested. Lieutenant John Hunnicutt, of Company F, Asheville, was asked to take charge of the drills and noncommissioned officers of the company aided him in grounding the West Asheville men in the rudiments of military movements. They have been drilling on the streets of West Asheville.

A drill was held last night, and the usual number attended. Sergeants C. R. Sumner, W. P. Hayes, Ralph Wiles and Corporal P. C. Hawn had charge of the drill in the absence of Lieutenant Hunnicutt and Sergeant McCormick, from Asheville.

All men between the ages of eighteen and forty-five who are interested in the organization of the company in West Asheville are asked to attend the meeting.

Asheville Citizen June 21, 1917

THE ASHEVILLE CITIZEN—THURSDAY, JUNE 21, 1917.

# CITIZENS ASK FOR FIRE DEPARTMENT

## ALSO WANT WEST ASHEVILLE STREETS NAMED.

### Many Matters of Minor Nature Come Before City Commissioners at Meeting.

A committe from the West Asheville chamber of commerce appeared before the city commissioners yesterday afternoon and asked that a fire department be established in the suburb. They presented a communication drawn up at a meeting of their organization Tuesday night, in which the commissioners were requested to locate the proposed department near the Bank of West Asheville, several reasons being assigned for this request.

The chief reason advanced is that there are six streets leading out from this particular place; also that a large volunteer company could be secured and third, that the property needed can be secured at a most reasonable price.

The commissioners took the matter under advisement, after assuring the committee that they had no conflicting plans in view and appreciated the suggestion.

The same committe also requested that the commissioners have the streets in West Asheville named and the houses numbered, in order that a free express delivery service might be secured. One of the committeemen stated that every street in West Asheville had from one to three names, much trouble and inconvenience resulting from this fact. The committee offered the services of themselves and of their chamber of commerce in assisting the commissioners in this work.

Asheville Citizen June 21, 1917

# COMPANY IS FORMED AT WEST ASHEVILLE

**Members Will Apply to State Adjutant-General to Be Taken Into the National Guard.**

West Asheville young men of military age, who have been drilling under the direction of officers from Company F, Asheville, met in the school house last night and organized an infantry company.

The meeting was attended by about fifty men, and thirty enrolled in the new organization. Application will be made at once to the adjutant general of the North Carolina national guard for admission as a unit of the state military establishment. Recruiting will be opened at once and all young men of West Asheville, who are desirous of serving as members of the local units, are urged to join.

The following temporary officers were chosen at the meeting:

C. R. Sumner, captain; A. L. McCormick, first lieutenant; W. P. Hayes, second lieutenant; Ray McCormick and R. G. Jennings, sergeants; Burgin Baity and Jack Fullam, corporals.

After the meeting last night, two picked squads were drilled composed of members of the new company, from whom will be selected the non-commissioned officers. The military movement in West Asheville has been on foot for about two months, and the young men of this city's newly acquired territory have shown a great interest in the drills.

Lieutenant John Hunnicutt, of Company F, organized the recruit company and has had charge of all the drills. The members of the company are confident that the unit will be accepted by the state guard.

Asheville Citizen June 23, 1917

# TWO WEEKLY DRILLS AT WEST ASHEVILLE

Interest in the weekly drills at West Asheville has been stimulated to such an extent, that the men of the newly annexed section have asked that the drills be held twice a week. These military drills are under the supervision of Lieutenant John Hunnicutt, of Company F, and there are about forty men who take an active interest in the drilling.

Lieutenant Hunnicutt was unable to conduct the drill last night, and Sergeants McCormick and Sumner took charge of the squads in his absence. The close order movements have been taught to the West Asheville contingent and the men across the French Broad River will learn further military rudiments. The next drill will be held tomorrow night.

Asheville Citizen July 14, 1917

# COLORED PEOPLE TO GET TREATMENT TODAY

**Dr. Sevier Will Be at Courthouse at 4 o'Clock — Second Campaign Will Start Monday.**

Colored people of the city and section will have an opportunity to be rendered immune from typhoid fever this evening, when Dr. Dan E. Sevier, county health officer, will be in his office at the court house for several minutes after 4 o'clock to administer the treatment to all the members of the colored race, who may care to apply for it.

Inasmuch as it requires three applications of the vaccine to guarantee immunity from typhoid, Dr. Sevier urges that all negroes be sure to receive the first treatment this afternoon as he will only be at the court house for two more Sunday evenings.

Winding up his third and final round of one part of the county at the court house yesterday, Dr. Sevier vaccinated a total of 393 persons, 151 for whom took their third and final treatment. A total of 104 were vaccinated for the second time and 138 received the first treatment.

Yesterday's total makes 1,355 persons that have been rendered immune from typhoid since the campaign in Buncombe was begun.

Opening at Democrat and Weaverville on Monday, Dr. Sevier will begin his second three-week campaign of the year. Fairview and Gash's Creek will be visited on Tuesday and Riceville and Pickens' school on Wednesday. Elk Mountain and the plant of the National Casket company will be visited on Thursday, Haw Creek and Biltmore on Friday and the court house on Saturday.

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# MEN DRAWN IN ASHEVILLE

## SELECTIVE CONSCRIPTION LOTTERY SURROUNDED BY CEREMONIES

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tired announcers and tabulators and the removal for cleaning of the blackboards where the result was publicly displayed as each number came out. When a group of 500 numbers had been written, the first section of the board was taken out to be photographed to establish an absolute record, while second section was substituted.

By the laws of chance, the serial number one was drawn from the jar as number 4,269 in the liability list, while number 10,500, the top number among the capsules, came out number 238. The serial thirteen, fabled bearer of ill luck, was drawn in the 7,890th place.

Registrants will receive no official word of their order of liability until their local boards summon them for examination after official records of the drawing have been transmitted to them by mail.

Preparation of those records will begin tomorrow.

The seven thousand mark was passed in the drawing shortly before 9 o'clock tonight and the speed of the process had been increased to about fifteen numbers a minute. At that rate the drawing would be finished by shortly after midnight.

When the 10,004 capsule was drawn it was found to be a blank, the first to be found thus far in the drawing.

The fact was noted on tally sheets before a new 10,004 was drawn.

Number 10,000 was drawn at 1:25 a. m. and drawing of the last 500 numbers was begun.

At 1 o'clock this morning, more than fifteen hours after the start of the drawing of lots under the selectiye draft, nearly 1,000 of the 10,500 numbers still were to be drawn. Officials expected to finish the task before 2:30.

The number 9,000 was drawn at midnight. It seemed likely that it would be nearly 2 a. m. before the drawing was over.

### Drawn From Asheville.

358—Gudger, Herman, 48 McDowell.
1650—Monroe, Chester F., Southside.
1418—Gregory, Joe, 94½ Haywood.
454—Morris, Robert, 215 College.
1871—Belk, Harry L., 72 Adams.
1878—Baldwin, David P., 122 South French Broad.
1905—Hendrick, Robert McKinley, 27 Eloise.
3023—Fischer, Dave, 170 Southside.
1455—Haynes, Marion B., 24 W. College.
733—Crowell, Raymond, 7 East Short Valley.
1813—Roberson, John, 31 Clingman.
1853—Worley Maj. Herbert, 276 West Haywood.
2318—Sullivan, Robert, Green Row.
2112—Martin, James Lafayette, 90 Jefferson Drive.
2444—Young, George, 191 Depot.
2117—Ingle, Bronze Frank, 43 Hillside.
1872—Stanard, William House, Margo Terrace.
1744—Jones, Horace Edward, 48 Rector.
1955—Chappell, Clarence J., 147 South Grove.
841—Walters, Charlie R., 215 Depot.
1626—Blanchard, Moses, Williams.
252—Gilbert, James, 23 Fredrick.
2066—Green, Abraham, 20 Short Valley.
1441—Gudger, Henry C., 139 Montford.
117—Coleman, Clarence, 33 Gaither.
2330—Roberson, Zeb, 35 Clingman.
603—Shuford, Wilburn B., 321 Montford.
890—Logan, Hewit, 4 Short Pine.
2212—Moody, Ralph L., 103 Clingman.
75—Brown, Alexander, West Asheville.
1818—Russell, P. K., 121 Hill.
772—Carlberg, S. M., 57 Spruce.
1458—Hemphill, Clyde, 24 Pearson Drive.
721—Prest, Jim, 178 Cumberland.
1419—Fisher, Samuel J., 114 Montford.
2290—Sumpter, Charlie, 240 Ashland.
1542—Roy, Carl, 224 Flint.
1478—Johnson, Harry Vance, 42 Walnut.
225—Hallams, Sam Alexander, 62 Ashland.
2222—Rivers, Hiram, 54 Short Bailey.
1293—Westall, Charles V., 322 Chestnut.
973—Blakeley, Haywood, 97 Broadway.
982—Bradley, Clyde William, 71 Madison.
54—Bolgus, Ike, 126 Church.
2265—Smith, Carl Everett, 46 Center.
870—Frost, Albert Lewis, 38 Oak.
1714—Guthrie, Jarome, 31 Buxton.
543—Sheppard, Rufus Dandy, 319 Merrimon.
1139—Jones, Almond Hill, 306 Rankin.
140—Miller, Dola Francis, 26 Jordan.
1485—Ledford, Barney, 110 Pearson Drive.
1674—Dayton, John Herman, 485 W. Haywood.
741—Ledbetter, Grover, 11 South Lexington.
1054—Fowler, Doc Hilliard, 415 Broadway.
2338—Sams, Claud Carroll, 40 Bartlett.
1375—Townsell, Gene, 18 Broadway.
2216—Rhodes, Luther Lee, 351 W. Haywood.
2225—Mlng, Emerson, 340 Ashland.
711—Young, Ace, 30 Davidson.
1022—Craig, Frank, 12 Woodfin.
841—McGraw, Oscar Piemont, Technical Bldg.
436—Walters, William, 18 Valley.
2454—Whitmire, Walter Clayton, 256 Haywood.
1032—Davis, Furman Geo., 43 Highland.
623—Tolliver, Sam, 136 Eagle.
685—Williams, John Henry, Breezemont Albemarle Park.
589—Harper, Henry, Asheville.
1141—King, Chandler William, 56 Marvella.
1214—Wood, Clyde Fulton, 96 Central.
1016—Cline, Charles Clinton, 212 Broadway.
1658—Evans, Garfield, 20 Spring.
338—Johnson, Tom, 139 Beaucatcher.
2005—Dunlap, John, 64 Ralph.
492—Randall, Lawson G., 26 Fordham.
2443—Wells, Zeno, 92 Black.
2108—Howard, Millander M., 38 Victoria Place.
1352—Brown, David F., 7 Hill.
922—Williams, John Lee, 60 Church.
1305—Williams, Robert Horace, 12 Washington Road.
241—Jones, Willie, 5 Fairview.
2276—Stamey, Claud C., 430 Depot.
1007—Campbell, Lindsay, D., 104 Rankin.
1754—Lowe, Curtis F., 41 Clingman.
291—Lohman, William, 60 Elmgrove.
1366—Byers, Theodore, 27 Gaston.
2226—Taylor, Charles A., 23 Biltmore.
353—Kerlegan, Angelo, 27 Highland.
970—Black, Fred, 30 Highland.
837—Walnscott, Wade, 8 Knight Place Rd.
1675—Dayton, William W., 91 Williams.
2024—Fletcher, Zeno C., 106 South French Broad.
1420—Giarrata, Joseph, 51 Cumberland.
360—Knox, Belton, 12 West Green.
1657—Carson, Carrel, 30 Davidson.
2085—Glover, Davie, 134 Livingston.
1317—Revell, Thomas A., 24 Central.
871—Smith, Lonnie E., Asheville.
1872—Aiken, Monroe F., 281 Ashland.
488—Pope, Henry, 30 Ridge.
1543—Putman, Ernest, 41 Valley.
2103—Hollingsworth, Earl, 46 Turtle.
704—Wood, John O., 119 Eagle.
73—Brooks, Luther, 7 Velvet.
1063—Fowler, Hexy, 415 Broadway.
1895—Bell, Thomas, R., 24 Clingman.
1709—Godfrey, General, 18 Curtin.
356—Kirkland, Herman, 216 College.
113—Clark, Oliver, 23 Hassard.
1087—Glenn, Thomas Orr, 40 Central.
2043—Hampton, Bert, 60 Ora.
2216—Israel, Geo. Meyer, 215 Patton.
128—Crump, Lurie, 13 Mountain.
2012—Edwards, Robert, 14 Ralph.
672—Williams, Ed. Millander, 81 Biltmore.
806—Henderson, Geo. E., 130 Broad.
17—Alston, Chas., 47 Circle.
900—Sumner, Charles F., 16 Vance.
1081—Couch, Waverly C., 102 Ralph.
1417—Wilson, James E., 168 Cumberland.
2302—Powell, Walter, 114 Ashland.
1467—Lamont, Earl, 114 Lexington.
2421—Tomlin, Perry C., 319 South French Broad.
1287—Wood, Charles F., 32 Merrimon.
1142—King, Geofrey C., 459 Broadway.
2495—Zozos, Pete, 328 Depot.
2433—Warren, Davis, 287 Ashland.
1744—Lyda, Budi, 10 Logan.
1—Brown, Tom, 131 Valley.
2187—Lee, Edgar H., 304 Patton.
217—Jinkins, Bob Ray, 5 Catawba.
664—White Luther, 440 South French Broad.
93—Chandler, Richard M., 74 Circle.
1442—Harmon, Herbert W., 113 Haywood.
1723—Harden, Joe C., 18 Atkinson.
957—Banks, Harmon D., 487 Broadway.
1567—Bell, Irl T., 44 Montford.
1741—Jackson, Lonnie Ray, 41 Clingman.
1112—Hall, Ferrell E., Sunnilit.
2462—Wild, Henry A., 104 Hassard.
345—Jordon, Osiah W., 104 Hassard.
1596—Varnon, Thomas W., 915 North French Broad.
2184—Lunsford, Robert Mc., 362½ Biltmore.
1—Jones, Arch W., 38 Jefferson drive.
1160—De Bruhl, Horace Dewitt, 37 Gay.
2115—Mitchelmer, Luther, 27 Cole.
2115—Robbins, Ben, 231 Southside.
1112—Copeland, Benjamin H., 70 Southside.
1211—Gibson, Benjamin H., 70 Southside.
1627—Farris, Wescott, Malden Lane.
2111—Freeman, Aaron, 9 Blake.
2100—Fortune, Frank, 247 College.
1214—Wilson, Ernest, 61 Hiawassee.
1212—Hill, Willard, 9 Black.
1212—Kidd, Samuel Wesley, 100 College.
1200—Reed, James H., 157 Valley.
1—Gentry, Leon, 124 Woodfin.
1196—Tyndall, Burton, 215 Madison Ave.
2176—Smith, Frank, 46 South French Broad.
2154—Ramsey, Fred, 46 Depot.
2116—McKenzie, Henry, 61 Cumberland.
1—Hensley, Johnny, 146 Broadway.
2180—Hamilton, Johnny, 146 Broadway.
1—Swanger, Ed, 146 Broadway.
1—Hensley

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# ASHEVILLE MAY HAVE ANOTHER COTTON MILL

## MEETING HELD IN WEST ASHEVILLE LAST NIGHT.

### South Carolina Mill Interests Representative Presents $50,000 Subscription.

A good crowd was present in the auditorium of the new school in West Asheville last night to consider the proposition of building a cotton mill there. Dr. J. R. Pentuff, representing certain cotton mill interests in South Carolina, presented a bona fide subscription list for $50,000 and asked that a like sum be raised here. Dr. Pentuff has been here on previous occasions in consultation with the board of trade, and it was through its offices that the meeting was arranged. As a result of the meeting, one of those interested stated that the building of the mill here was practically assured, Dr. Pentuff having looked at several sites with the view of locating the mill in the event the amount required by local subscription was raised, and it seems assured now, said one of the men.

Other talks were made by R. M. Wells, G. D. Carter, R. P. Walker and H. B. Posey. Following the talks, a committee composed of H. B. Posey, president of the West Asheville chamber of commerce; R. M. Wells, Gwynn Edwards G. D. Carter, H. A. Dunham, D. B. Atkinson and N. Buckner; this committee to investigate various phase of the industry, costs of materials, profits, etc. All the men on the committee are interested in the movement.

Asheville Citizen November 24, 1917

# COMMISSIONERS ACT ON W. A. ASSESSMENTS

## MANY CLAIMS DISALLOWED ON PAVING ASSESSMENTS.

### Board Spent Part of Yesterday in West Asheville on Tour of Inspection.

Following the personal investigation of complaints against certain assessments for paving, etc., in West Asheville, the city commissioners yesterday afternoon took final action on a number of the complaints.

Brown and Carter were exempted from the paving assessments charged against their property for paving in front of the bank (some thirty-five feet) in view of the fact that these gentlemen had donated certain property to the town of West Asheville with the understanding that the street be paved without cost to them.

The claim of Turner brothers that they be allowed damages for alleged damage to their property on account of the grading and widening of Hanover street was refused. Other claims refused were Baptist church on Hanover street and J. B. Hall, G. H. Bradman and T. H. Creasman. The complaint of R. P. Hayes that the city engineer had assessed him too much due to the fact that his property had not as long frontage as reported, was referred to the city engineer for investigation.

On the recommendation of the commissioner of public safety, the arc light authorized for Edwin place some time ago was ordered installed at the intersection of Edwin and Lawrence places.

The commissioner of public works reported that he had rented the city's property at the old water works site on Swannanoa river to Mark Reed, the consideration being one-third of all crops. He further recommended that the house and garden not included in the foregoing, be rented to the Taylor brothers for the sum of $10 monthly. This report was adopted.

The purchasing agent was authorized to purchase fourteen picks for use by the water department.

The plumbing inspector reported that the bid for the installation of sanitary plumbing in a building owned by J. E. Cook on Haywood road, submitted by W. Kindler, was lowest and best. On motion, it was ordered that the contract be awarded Mr. Kindler.

A communication from J. M. Deal to his attorney, which was read by the board, in which states that the jury awarded him $40 damages to property in West Asheville was read and taken under advisement.

Building permits were granted as follows:

W. H. Shoffner, repairs, Montford avenue, estimated cost, $35.

Wyatt Gentry, addition, 88 Hall street, estimated cost, $50.

L. W. Williams, three room house, Beech Hill, estimated cost, $700.

C. H. Chunn, repairs, store room Haywood road, estimated cost, $25.

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# FINDS SCHOOL ACROSS RIVER IN GOOD SHAPE

**But Minor Changes Required There to Reduce Fire Hazards, Board Is Told.**

Commissioner of Safety Ramsey told the city commissioners yesterday afternoon that he had investigated the condition of the West Asheville school building and had found it to be in excellent condition. To reduce the fire hazards there he made certain recommendations, all of a minor importance. These will be made at once, and the condition of the school grounds will also be improved.

The board took no action on the proposition that a Smith form-a-truck be purchased for the street cleaning department, a matter under consideration. A proposition was submitted from the W. K. Lyerly company to sell the city such a truck for $700.

J. W. King, a Confederate veteran, was granted a free license to sell coal, and acting upon the report of the city engineer the board declined to allow the claim of Charles Areny for a rebate on his Malden lane sewer assessment.

The following building permits were granted:

Dr. Wexler Smathers, repairs, 37 Biltmore avenue, $300.

F. B. Ingle, garage, $100, and stable, $250,, on Sulphur Springs road.

T. J. Reed, repairs, Hillside street, $10.

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# SCHOOL OPENS AGAIN IN WEST ASHEVILLE

The West Asheville school, which has been forced to remain closed for several days past, because of boiler troubles following the sudden cold snap, will be open for regular school sessions tomorrow, according to the statement made last night by the principal of the school. The majority of the school and other public buildings whose heating systems were put out of commission by the extreme cold spell, are now in good working order again.

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# SMALL FIRE STARTS IN WEST ASHEVILLE

The fire department was called out at 1:25 yesterday morning, to answer ~~an alarm from box 612, cor-~~ ner of Haywood road and Westwood place, West Asheville, and on arrival at the scene of the fire discovered a small blaze in the cellar of the store occupied by the Central Grocery company, and owned by J. H. Buckner. The fire had been smoldering in some ~~sawdust in the cellar for several days,~~ and began to spread through the building during Monday night. The damage was slight, as the blaze was handled before it had made much headway beyond the basement.

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# West Asheville Newspaper Articles

## Articles from 1918

# NO PRECEDENTS FOR SOLDIERS' WELCOME

## MAYOR RANKIN RECALLS THE DAYS OF 1865.

### Mr. Rankin Slipped Into Asheville By Night—Later Was Arrested By Kirk's Men.

"No," said Mayor J. E. Rankin the other day in answer to a question put to him by one of a group in his office as they talked over the old days in Buncombe county, "there are no precedents here for general celebrations in honor of returning soldiers. The programs to be carried out for the boys who broke the Hindenburg line will be unique in our local history.

"When I came back from Tennessee at the close of the war between the states, I crawled over Smith's bridge at midnight, slipped to my home and like a thief climbed through the kitchen window. As a reception for me and other returning soldiers, we were arrested soon after our return by the notorious Colonel Kirk."

The mayor explained that after the surrender the country, and especially this region, was overrun by roving bands of guerillas and renegades who had attached themselves to the Union armies. Among these was Colonel Kirk and his marauders who marched through the western counties, stealing property of all kinds and generally making themselves obnoxious to the inhabitants.

"There seemed to be no indication as to when order would be restored and when such men as Kirk would be stopped from their operations, so with a few companions I started for Mexico, said the mayor. "We planned to go to that country and start life over again. We went as far as Franklin, where we ran into Kirk's men and were arrested. This enforced delay put an end to our plans for taking up residence in Mexico. We spent several days in Franklin under rather loose and comfortable arrest and after talking over the situation with friends in Franklin we decided to come back home.

"I happened to know some of Kirk's men; I am sorry to say that a few of them were former friends and neighbors who had deserted from the Confederate armies. Through their recommendation I was allowed to select a small mule from the large number of animals collected by Kirk's command as they journeyed through the country, and on this beast I made the trip back home.

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# WEST ASHEVILLE FIRE STATION ABANDONED

## LACK OF MAN POWER REASON FOR CHANGE.

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### Fire Chiefs Recommend This Action. New Station May Be Located On Roberts Street.

In a letter to the city commissioners yesterday afternoon Chief J. H. Wood, of the fire department, and Assistant Chief A. L. Duckett recommended that the volunteer station at West Asheville be abandoned. The fire department officials said that owing to the fact that many of the volunteers were in war service and others absent from Asheville on other work it has been found impossible to maintain an organization there.

Chief Wood, commenting on the recommendation, said that it is a peculiar state coincident that hardly a man is left in West Asheville who is qualified for duty as a volunteer fireman, especially for night duty.

The equipment in West Asheville will be brought to the central station, if the board approves the plan which is said to be likely, and all alarms from that section of the city will be answered by the regular apparatus, at least two pieces of equipment responding to calls.

The volunteer station in West Asheville has been maintained since that suburb was incorporated into Asheville proper.

The filing of this recommendation before the commissioners brought forward again the proposition to establish a fire station on Roberts street, at the concrete bridge. This plan was under consideration just before war put an end to all municipal improvements that were not imperative. The heads of the fire department explain that a station at the bridge could easily answer calls in West Asheville, along the river front and in some residence sections on the hills above Roberts street.

Need for such an auxiliary station is seen in the fact that the present central station is two miles from the main plant of the Hans Rees tannery and about four miles from the principal part of the residence portion of West Asheville. Apparatus located on Roberts street, it is stated, could go to the farthest hydrant in West Asheville in six minutes.

The board has all the facts under consideration and it is probable that some announcement in regard to an additional station will be made at no very distant date.

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# FINE LOT OF COUNTY MEN LEFT YESTERDAY

## BIG SEND-OFF AT STATION YESTERDAY AFTERNOON.

### Eighty-Seven Men Sent to Camp Hancock, at Augusta, Ga., One of Country's Best Camps.

Yesterday afternoon one of the largest and best contingents that Buncombe has turned over to Uncle Sam for training left for Camp Hancock, at Augusta, Ga. There were eighty-seven men in the group and the consensus of opinion was that they presented a most excellent appearance as they prepared for entrainment. The men were cheerful and yet seemed serious withal, apparently cognizant of the task ahead of them.

Great interst was taken in the departure of the men and the station was thronged with relatives and friends of those going away. With the eighty-seven men from the various townships of Buncombe county outside of Asheville there were also seventeen men sent by the city board on the same train. The city board also entrained two men from other points.

Camp Hancock, where the men who left yesterday are going to be trained, is said to have the reputation of being one of the very best camps in the entire country. Last winter when ravages of pneumonia and meningitis were killing scores of soldiers, the Augusta camp had very few deaths from any cause, and in the monthly reports always stood either at the top or next to the top in the whole list of camps. The site of Camp Hancock is high and dry, being located south and west of Augusta's famous hotel resort suburb, Monte Sano, and such a thing as mud there can be found only in the remarks made by the soldiers about the kaiser.

The 28th division, Pennsylvania national guard, trained there last fall and winter, but the camp has been made over into a machine gun training school and now has men from all parts of the country. The number of men has been around 10,000, but recently the city authorities contracted with the government to double the water reservoir in order to take care of an enlarged camp that will accommodate 125,000 men.

Those who have loved ones going to Camp Hancock may rest assured that they could not have been sent either to a camp or city where they would be better taken care of.

The names of the county men who left yesterday follow: Martin Hilliard Shope, Swannanoa; Albert Hallton, Biltmore; Henry Simpson, Biltmore; Eugene G. Smith, route 5, Asheville; Hardy Philetus Ferguson, Sandy Mush; James Herbert Garrett, Sandy Mush; Robert Eugene Taylor, West Asheville; Garland Grady Byrd, Black Mountain; Willard Erwin, Asheville, route 4; Herbert Bryan Green, Candler; David Ellen Hill, Gem; Charles Lewis Ballew, West Asheville; James Luna Sawyer, Candler; Clyde F. Dillingham, Barnardsville; Luther Harold, Asheville, route 3; Oscar Mack Morrison, West Asheville; Finley Oscar Ingle, Odessa; Hermon Byerly, West Asheville; Clarance Hazekiah Brooks, Biltmore, route 4; Ale Young, Candler; Robert Lee Morris, Black Mountain; Benjamin Oliver Chatham, Swannanoa; Edward Bartlet, Farm School; Frederick Dan Webb, West Asheville; John Hanibal Pruett, Azalea; Henry Grady Cole, Leicester; Willie Cleveland Savage, Farm School; James Ernest Miller, Asheville, route 1; Charlie Lee Myers, Stocksville; Lloyd James Lynch, Fairview; Charlie Joshua Hawkins, Sandy Mush; Rawdon Cole, Biltmore; Fred W. Rice, Barnardsville; Herbert C. Allen, Dillingham; Currie Nelson Meese, Black Mountain; David Henry Clark, Leicester; Claude Johnson Ashworth, Fairview; Jesse Gordon Morris, Black Mountain; Charles Booker Crisp, Black Mountain; George Candler Netherton, Alexander; Deb Hilliard Morris, Biltmore; Ernest Chambers, Asheville, route 4; Albert Gaston Justice, Biltmore; Vernon Davidson Williams, Biltmore; Murphy Andrew Elkins, Stocksville; James Grady Plemmons, Asheville, route 4; Charlie Lorenzy Webb, Asheville, route 2; John Gordon Parker, Biltmore; Conrad Blake Suttle, Odessa; Thomas Floyd Johnson, West Asheville; James Weldon Dalton, Fairview; Tom Ben Dotson, Fletcher; Marcus Reardan Jones, Swannanoa; Mannie Lee Davis, Asheville, route 4; Fred Barnard Bacon, Charlie B. Joyner, Asheville, route 1; Carmel S. Harwood, Barnardsville; Eugene Case, Biltmore; Fred Hutton Tallant, City Point, W. Va.; Oliver Wendell Tallt, West Asheville; Andy Taxton Grimes, Black Mountain; Grann Lee Warren, Black Mountain; Randolph King, Biltmore; Thomas Oscar Roberts, West Asheville; Ralph Howard Taylor, West Asheville; Ernest Mark Smith, Asheville, route 2; Lloyd Kaley Ownbey, Fletcher; Charles Nichols Hopson, Leicester; Lester Randolph Grider, Biltmore; Bryan Sluder, West Asheville; Toby Sneed, Black Mountain; Rev. McKinley Cordell, Azalea; Lloyd William Penland, Biltmore; Parvena Hall, Candler; Roy Vascoe Shope, Swannanoa; Charles Cleveland McKinnish, Candler; Eugene Anthony Moore, Asheville, route 1; William Erwin Elkins, West Asheville; Horace K. Reese, Black Mountain; John V. Davis, Asheville, route 1; Charles Wilburn Penland, Candler; Walter A. Delvin, Canton; Hilliard Blane Cole, Stocksville; Fletcher Clark, Sandy Mush; Jeter Pritchard Jones, Canton; Ed Harrison Cappe, Asheville, route 1; Charles Franklin Parham, West Asheville.

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THURSDAY, AUGUST 1, 1918

# HARRISON HART SHOT YESTERDAY AFTERNOON

## ARNOLD PRUITT ARRESTED CHARGED WITH CRIME

### Wounded Man Injured in Abdomen and Hip and His Condition Considered Most Critical

Yesterday afternoon about 2 o'clock in the slaughter pen of F. Zimmerman in West Asheville, Arnold Pruitt is charged with having shot twice at Harrison Hart, both bullets taking effect. Both men are said to have been employed at the slaughter pen. Arnold is single and about twenty one years old, while Art is married and about the same age, or a little older.

It is not known just what caused the trouble between the two men, but one supposition is that it began yesterday morning, when Hart is said to have abused a young boy who worked about the place, Arnold taking the boy's part. At any rate there was a quarrel and Arnold is said to have ended it with his revolver. According to one of the physicians in charge one bullet pierced a portion of the stomach, the large intestine and came out near the region of the kidney on the left side; the other bullet, which entered the hip, was considered to be doing comparatively little damage and had not been probed for last night. Hart's condition is said to be most serious and it was said last night that it would be a miracle if he recovered.

It is stated that after having shot Hart, Arnold went home for more ammunition with which to shoot the wounded man again, but that when he returned he was kept out of the place with a pitchfork in the hands of F. Zimmerman, the owner of the slaughter pen. Arnold tried to make his escape, but was apprehended about 3:30 yesterday afternoon. Officers stated that it was necessary to run him down in order to catch him. It is reported that his mind is affected, though to what extent could not be determined by a superficial examination, since his appearance is said to be that of a sane man.

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PAVE BUFFALO STREET

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# CHURCH USES NOVEL METHOD TO GET MONEY

**West Asheville Presbyterian Church Has Started a "Dime Drive" to Raise Sum of $25,000.**

The West Asheville Presbyterian church has begun a "Dime Drive" in order to raise funds for the erection of a new church building. The amount desired is $25,000 and in securing this money the plan is to have 250,000 persons give ten cents each toward the cause.

The money as it is secured will be used in buying Liberty bonds and War Savings stamps, and after the war is over the securities will be cashed in and the building erected.

Those in charge of the campaign claim that the drive will aid the government to win the war through the investments made in government loans. At the same time, it is pointed out, the money will aid a good cause, "because West Asheville is a strategic center for the extension of the church of Christ."

It is stated that 10,000 dimes were secured at the beginning of the drive last Sunday. All persons wishing to contribute may send their dimes to Rev. Paul N. Gresham, West Asheville.

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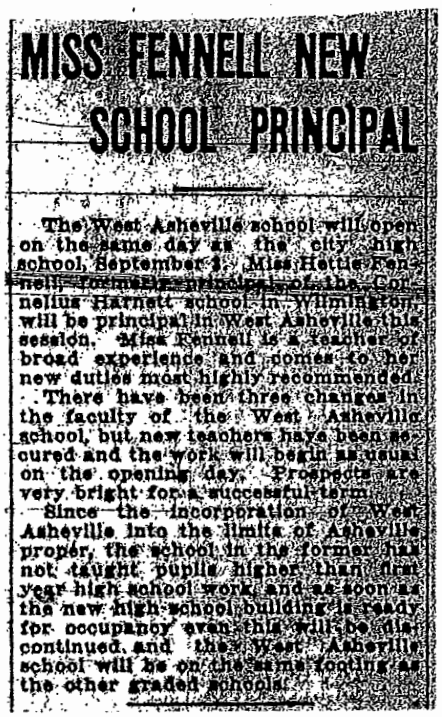

# MISS FENNELL NEW SCHOOL PRINCIPAL

The West Asheville school will open on the same day as the city high school, September 3. Miss Hettie Fennell, formerly principal of the Cornelius Harnett school in Wilmington, will be principal in West Asheville this session. Miss Fennell is a teacher of broad experience and comes to her new duties most highly recommended.

There have been three changes in the faculty of the West Asheville school, but new teachers have been secured and the work will begin as usual on the opening day. Prospects are very bright for a successful term.

Since the incorporation of West Asheville into the limits of Asheville proper, the school in the former has not taught pupils higher than first year high school work and as soon as the new high school building is ready for occupancy even this will be discontinued, and then West Asheville school will be on the same footing as the other graded schools.

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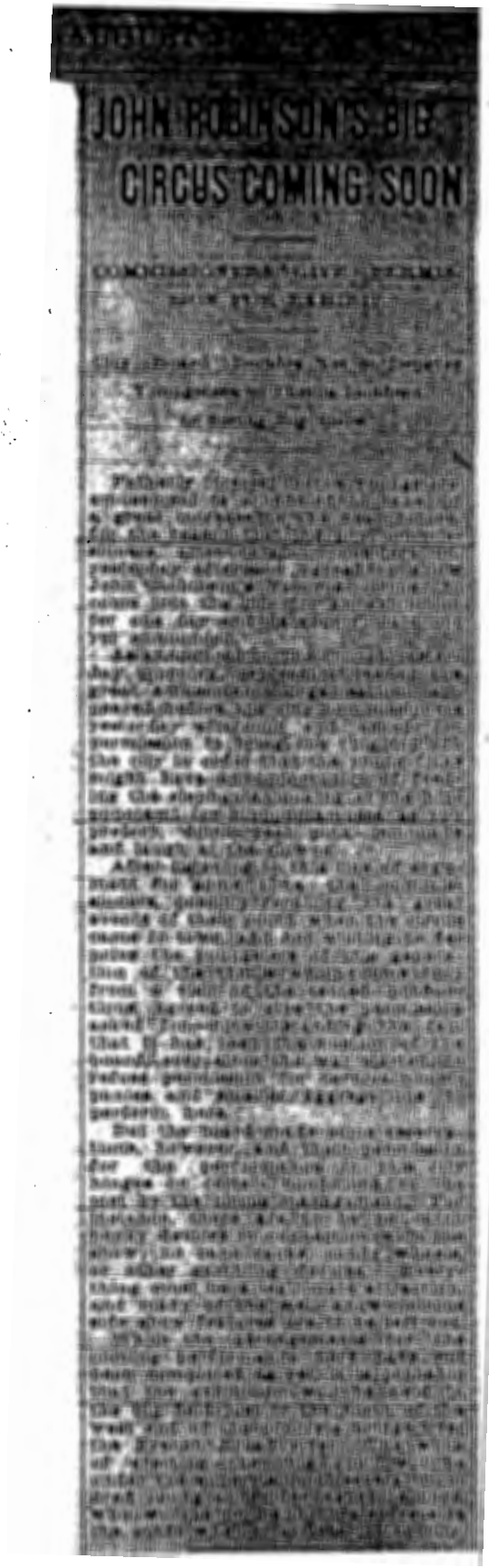
# JOHN ROBINSON'S BIG CIRCUS COMING SOON



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# COLORED FAIR WILL BE HELD OCTOBER 8

The annual colored agricultural fair will be held at Pearson park, West Asheville, this year on October 8, 9 and 10. The secretary and manager of the fair, E. W. Pearson, states that the interest this year in the seventh annual exhibition is keen, and the prospects are good for one of the biggest and best fairs yet held.

Efforts are being made to make this fair a distinct event, and to arouse the interest of the colored people of all the western counties. Copy for the premium list is now in the hands of the printer and will be out in a few days.

The county demonstrator will be present at the fair, it is announced, and will assist in making the fair a success, and will instruct the attendants in the best methods of fair work.

Asheville Citizen August 30, 1918

## BIG DOINGS
## PEARSON PARK

Commening at 2 p. m., patriotic speaking, H. H. Brown, Knoxville, Tenn., on War Savings. Ball game, Land of Sky Masonic Lodge vs Asheville Giants, at 4:30. Shooting contest, price $2.00; foot race before the game; refreshments all kinds; good music day and night; your last go-round for the season. Special bargains city, suburban, houses and lots, small payment, easy terms. E. W. Pearson, real estate, phone 1272. 11.

Asheville Citizen September 12, 1918

# CAR COMPANY WILL PROVIDE FOR CROWDS

For the convenience of those who attend Robinson's circus Monday, and there will probably be a good crowd there, the Asheville Power and Light company has worked out a plan for handling the traffic which the company believes will be the most expeditious possible under the circumstances.

As the show will exhibit on the west side of the river, it is desirable, says the Power and Light company, to keep the bridge as free as possible from congestion. Therefore the westbound cars will stop near the intersection of Roberts street and Jefferson drive. Cars will be kept on the West Asheville side of the bride to which passengers for West Asheville may transfer.

**Asheville Citizen September 22, 1918**

# THOUSANDS WITNESS ROBINSON'S CIRCUS

## CAPACITY CROWDS WITNESS TWO SPLENDID EXHIBITIONS

### Trained Animals, Thrilling Acts, Trapeze Artists and Tumblers All Added Their Part to Program

A crowd which is variously estimated at from seven to twelve thousand people witnessed the exhibitions of John Robinson's circus at Oates park yesterday afternoon and at the night show the attendance was almost as great. It was stated by show men that the "big top" has a seating capacity of 12,000. In the afternoon every seat was taken and so dense was the gathering that it became necessary to send the overflow on the track which surrounded the two rings and stage.

The converting of the track into seating space made it necessary for the management to abandon the opening grand pageant, the part which always so thrills the younger folks with its tinsel and show, and the work of the clowns was also greatly hampered by having their usual scene of operations cluttered up with people, making it necessary for them to make brief and hurried appearances on the stage instead of staying on the track.

The exhibition offered by the well known circus was heartily approved by all present, and the various thrilling acts brought round after round of applause from the great gathering. While the war has greatly interfered with the program, yet clever substitutions have been made which do not detract to any great extent.

Every act was carried out in a "snappy" manner which prevented the show from becoming tiresome at any time; in fact, there was usually more going on than could be seen by one person. The trained elephants, trained horses, both of which danced in perfect time; the trained seals, monkeys and other animals all delighted both the large and the small.

The equilibrists, trapeze artists, Japanese tumblers, wire walkers and other feats of skill thrilled the audience in the good old fashioned manner. The horseback riding was also splendid and interesting, and was well received.

One feature worthy of special mention was a series of poses by a Red Cross nurse, a pure white horse and a white collie dog. Assuming a statue-like pose behind a screen the horse and dog would stand perfectly rigid until the screen again enveloped them.

Another feature of the afternoon performance, and one which met with a cordial response, was a four minute address in the interest of the war savings drive by Dr. W. F. Powell, pastor of the First Baptist church of this city. Dr. Powell, in opening expressed appreciation for the courtesies given the war savings workers by the management of the show, declaring John Robinson's organization was 100 per cent patriotic. He said made the statement after having been assured more than three hundred men formerly employed by Robinson's shows have joined the colors. Dr. Powell was attended by eighteen soldiers from Kenilworth hospital, under the command of Sergeant Boyd, who after words of commendation for the splendid showing in the interest of war savings stamps.

In the afternoon fifteen and one-half dollars in war savings stamps were sold. The night audience was also liberal in its purchases, the total amount sold being $[illegible]. The entire personnel of the show was courteous and in handling the overflow crowds and in giving to those present their full worth in entertainment. Everything moved with clock-like precision and the show was given in record time. The [illegible] was also [illegible] and the [illegible] was [illegible] the public [illegible] the [illegible] and [illegible] the [illegible] and [illegible] the [illegible] and

# FIGHT GERMS, SAY ASHEVILLE DOCTORS

## STATEMENT GIVEN OUT CONCERNING INFLUENZA

### Medical Society Committee Warns the Public That Any Cold May Result in Serious Complications.

A committee appointed by the Buncombe County Medical society last night issued the following statement in regard to influenza and measures which Asheville people should take to guard against the disease. The committee says be suspicious of all colds, call the family doctor and stay in bed if you have temperature. The statement, signed by Dr. Carl V. Reynolds, chairman; Dr. D. B. Sevier and Dr. S. Westray Battle, follows:

"Answering a request by the health authorities of the county of Buncombe and the city of Asheville to discuss health conditions incident upon the prevalence of the influenza which has reached our shores and may now be called world wide, the county Medical society met and passed a resolution that a public statement be made by the undersigned committee in order that our people should have the facts, so that they will not treat the matter too lightly, nor needlessly take alarm; that they should know the attitude of the medical profession toward the disease and how, in their opinion, the population visiting and residents, should look upon this visitation and act accordingly.

"The committee deems it only necessary to make a brief statement. A wave of influenza is sweeping over the world, differing in no great degree from other epidemics of the disease, the last great outbreak having, is said, started in Russia; this one in Spain; that there is no reason why Asheville should be immune; that the one danger in the disease comes from complications, such as pneumonia, etc., mostly avoidable.

"The public is advised that running from the disease will do little good; that while we should not be hysterical the situation should not be taken lightly; that any cold at this time should be regarded as a probable infection, and the sufferer should at once take the necessary precaution —go to bed if need be and stay there until convalescent and danger of complication is over. The onset of the disease may be sudden or slow, but if there is fever, take medical advice and follow it."

Asheville Citizen October 3, 1918

# FRANK PARSONS IN CHARGE OF FIGHT ON INFLUENZA

## Red Cross Will Mobilize Entire Services in Campaign Against Epidemic

At the request of and in co-operation with the Federal Health Service the American Red Cross has appointed W. Frank Persons director general of civilian relief to take charge of the situation and supplement by financial aid and supplies the public health service in combating the epidemic of influenza. In accordance the Southern division has taken steps to mobilize the entire available service in caring for sick using chapter headquarters and nursing committees and all available channels to secure the registration of applicants for this service appropriations allow seventy-five dollars for graduate nurses and fifty dollars for nurses having more than one and one-half years training and thirty dollars for practical nurses and nurses aides in addition to maintenance and expenses every woman qualified should consider this an opportunity for service and should apply immediately to local Red Cross headquarters.

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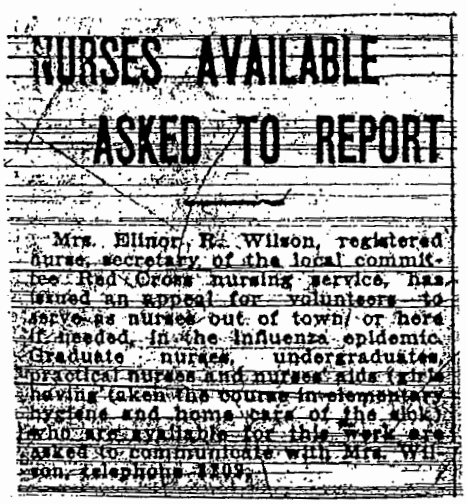

# NURSES AVAILABLE ASKED TO REPORT

Mrs. Ellinor R. Wilson, registered nurse, secretary of the local committee Red Cross nursing service, has issued an appeal for volunteers to serve as nurses out of town or here if needed, in the influenza epidemic. Graduate nurses, undergraduates, practical nurses and nurses aids (girls having taken the course in elementary hygiene and home care of the sick) who are available for this work are asked to communicate with Mrs. Wilson, telephone 1209.

**Asheville Citizen October 4, 1918**

# CHURCHES, SCHOOLS AND MOVIES OF CITY ORDERED CLOSED

## City Authorities and Health Board Agree on Precautionary Measure

## "MOVIES" CLOSED UP YESTERDAY MORNING

## All Soda Fountains Ordered to Use Individaul Cups in Serving Drinks

With 8,000 cases of Spanish influenza reported in North Carolina, and with several cases in Asheville, the city commissioners and health officers yesterday ordered all public and private schools in the city to close, ordered that churches hold no public services, closed all theatres and placed restrictions on the serving of drinks at soda fountains and cafes. There will be no schools open today nor until further orders. The picture theatres were closed yesterday morning.

The first order toward safeguarding the people from the disease came yesterday morning when Mayor Rankin and Dr. Carl V. Reynolds city health officer, issued instructions for all motion pictures to close and ordered that no cold drinks or ice cream should be served in cafes or at soda fountains except in individual containers. Accompanying this order was a request for discontinuance of church services. At the commissioners' meeting yesterday an order was made closing the schools. Later on suggestion of some of the ministers the request for no church services was changed to an order.

**Investigated Last Week.**

Early last week the health authorities began to investigate conditions here with regard to influenza and Dr. Reynolds kept in communication by wire with the state board of health in regard to the situation. The state board at that time advised against quarantining and until yesterday Dr. Rankin of the board advised against closing the schools. In case the order for closing schools in Asheville was made before Dr. Rankin left last night issued a statement covering his previous advice in respect to school. Last week Dr. Rankin wired Dr. Reynolds as follows in regard to quarantine: "Quarantine in influenza not advised by either national or state authorities. Impossible to control by quarantine."

**Watch Bad Colds.**

The health officer of Asheville lays emphasis on the statement that influenza may come with a sudden onset or that it may develop gradually. For that reason Dr. Reynolds last night urged that all so-called bad colds be regarded as suspicious until it is shown that they are nothing more than colds. In a case which develops rapidly the symptoms are severe headache, drowsiness, pains in the back and legs and temperature sometimes as high as 104. Directions have been published in Asheville from time to time urging the people to call a doctor in any case of bad cold that is all suspicious or that does not yield readily to the usual remedies. Fresh air, personal hygiene, cleanliness, liberal use of the tooth brush, gargling with hot salt water, washing hands before eating, are all recommended as preventive measures.

The order for soda fountains to use individual cups entirely found some soda fountains without a supply a few hours after the instructions came from the city hall, and wholesale houses here began to wire for paper cups. About 100,000 were ordered yesterday afternoon by wire and they are expected to reach the city today.

Surgeon-General Blue's statement, issued yesterday in regard to the necessity for closing churches and schools, was referred to by the city commissioners in making their closing orders and it is expected that the people will heartily co-operate. Most of the Asheville ministers last night stated that they would cheerfully accede to any request made in regard to giving up services, but some of the clergymen thought it would be better if the authorities issued a direct order. This was done last night.

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# STORES CLOSED UP LAST NIGHT; OPEN AGAIN TOMORROW

## Step Taken to Eliminate Usual Shopping Crowds of Saturday Night

For the first time since pioneer times, perhaps, Asheville people today are ordered not to assemble themselves together in churches and the ministers ask all heads of families to conduct family worship around the family altar. This order, issued by the city commissioners and the health officer to safeguard the public against influenza will make this the quietest Sunday in this city seen in many years.

Last night a new order from Dr. Carl V. Reynolds, city health officer, closed all mercantile establishments at 6 o'clock in order to keep the Saturday night crowds of shoppers at home. This action was taken at the request of the merchants themselves, since it was realized that the throngs that always appear Saturday nights in the streets and in the stores might provide a fertile field for influenza infection. The drug stores, grocery stores and restaurants were not closed, and it was made plain by the health officer that the closing was effective only for last night; the stores will open Monday morning as usual.

### Nothing Alarming.

No alarming developments occurred yesterday in the progress of the disease here, although many sensational rumors were afloat. It was reported on the streets that there were 800 cases in the city and that there had been twenty deaths. The city officials, however, stated that there were not more than 300 cases in all and that a large number of these about half, were cases of severe colds and grippe that were under suspicion. It was stated by city officials that there had been no deaths in Asheville from influenza, but two deaths from the disease were reported at Azalea hospital. One of these victims in influenza was said to be a Red Cross nurse. The number of cases reported last night did not show any appreciable increase over those accounted for Friday night.

The order prohibiting all public gatherings of any kind was yesterday interpreted by the health officers to include dances, meetings of fraternal organizations and any public meetings whatsoever. It cannot be said how long the order will be effective; the ordinary course of Spanish influenza epidemics elsewhere is said to be six weeks.

The order for closing the stores was at first thought by people on the streets to include drug stores and cafes. But the prescription departments of the pharmacies were not closed at all and the cafes that were shut up, through a misunderstanding of the order, it is stated, were immediately opened again. In the meantime, as store doors began to close, the wildest rumors went around the streets, but these were dissipated when it was learned that all that was desired was to prevent large crowds from gathering for the week-end shopping.

It is probable that the Saturday night closing order will remain in force as long as there is any danger whatever from an influenza epidemic.

# ALARM CAUSED BY MISUNDERSTANDING

## Order Received in Good Spirit When Its Proper Application Is Known

### Orders Confused.

When the police department started out last night to close business houses, most of the officers did not understand, apparently, the scope of the order nor did they know how long the stores were to remain closed. Consequently the police closed business establishments as fast as they came to them, and the word went out that all stores and other business establishments were to remain closed for a length of time that nobody seemed to know as the police had not been instructed on that point.

Dr. H. B. Weaver stated last night that the reports in regard to the influenza situation in the city were grossly exaggerated, and that there is not any great danger of a widespread epidemic of the scourge here that is sweeping Eastern North Carolina and other sections of the country. Dr. Weaver declared that influenza does not thrive in the Asheville climate. However, all the physicians feel that no chances should be taken and they are urging the people to take every precaution to avoid infection.

Until the county board of education meets tomorrow it will not known what action will be taken in regard to closing the county schools. Last night the school committee for Biltmore district ordered that Biltmore High school close until further orders and there will be no school at that institution tomorrow.

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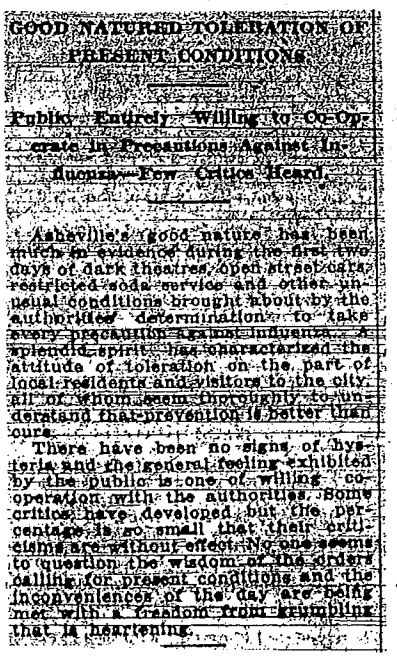

## GOOD NATURED TOLERATION OF PRESENT CONDITIONS

### Public Entirely Willing to Co-Operate in Precautions Against Influenza—Few Critics Heard.

Asheville's good nature has been much in evidence during the first two days of dark theatres, open street cars, restricted soda service and other unusual conditions brought about by the authorities' determination to take every precaution against influenza. A splendid spirit has characterized the attitude of toleration on the part of local residents and visitors to the city, all of whom seem thoroughly to understand that prevention is better than cure.

There have been no signs of hysteria and the general feeling exhibited by the public is one of willing co-operation with the authorities. Some critics have developed but the percentage is so small that their criticisms are without effect. No one seems to question the wisdom of the orders calling for present conditions and the inconveniences of the day are being met with a freedom from grumbling that is heartening.

**Asheville Citizen October 6, 1918**

# TOWNSHIP SCHOOLS WILL CLOSE TODAY

## STUDENTS OF COLORED SCHOOLS SHOULD STAY AT HOME.

### County Board of Education May Close Other Schools; Parents Urged to Keep Children Home.

There were few new developments in the influenza situation yesterday. Several additional cases were reported at various places in the city and in Asheville township, but the disease did not appear from the reports obtainable last night to be making any alarming headway.

Dr. Carl V. Reynolds, city health officer, stated last night that as the city schools were closed late Friday, there was no opportunity to give advice to the students in regard to staying at home. The health officer emphasized very strongly the importance of parents keeping the children on their own premises, and when any suspicious cold or grippe appears in a household it is vitally necessary to isolate the sick from the well.

County Superintendent of Schools W. H. Hipps last night announced that owing to the appearance of several cases of influenza in various school districts of Asheville township, all the township schools will close today until further orders from the board of education. A few cases have been reported in Woodfin district, at Leicester and some other communities in the county. The township schools ordered closed are Emma, Johnson, Biltmore, Oakley, Rose Hill, New Creek, Woodfin, Grace and Haynes. West Buncombe school, in Leicester township, Ridgecrest and Sand Hill schools will also close their doors today and when the county board of education meets it is probable that other county schools will be ordered closed. Parents are advised to keep children at home.

There seems to be some misunderstanding in regard to private schools in Asheville. Patrons of Grove Park school, for instance, have been asking if the order applied to that school. The order from the health officer and city commissioners stated explicitly that all schools in the city, public and private, must close.

The county commissioners will meet this morning to transact routine business in regard to indigents and payrolls, but all delegations planning to call on the board to discuss roads or other public work are notified that they will not be heard. The board took this step to avoid the congregating of large numbers of citizens who appear at the regular monthly meetings of the commissioners.

Asheville churches were closed yesterday with the exception of one colored church in the Hill street section, which apparently had not heard of the order. It was stated that some sort of public service was started there but that it did not continue very long.

Many city people yesterday fought the open country, a few parties taking picnic dinner in the woods. The day was ideal for enjoying air and sunshine and the excursions thus made were doubtless very effective means for avoiding contagion from any disease.

The most enthusiastic of Asheville boosters will take no offense at the declaration that this was a dead town yesterday. Rather is he likely to feel resentment at a statement indicating that animation was displayed. The lack of life was ample evidence that Asheville motorists were complying with the government's request to save gasoline and oil. And it was satisfactory proof of this city's determination to co-operate in all efforts looking to the prevention of influenza.

With automobiles in their garages, and few pedestrians out owing to the fact that church services had been ordered abandoned, pioneer residents who visited the downtown districts were reminded of the days when the present site of the Drhumor building was residential property and the sound of the stage coachman's whip was heard in the neighborhood of what is now the Swannanoa-Berkeley. The business districts were unusually quiet in the morning although they were less deserted in the afternoon, not a few people traveling them after lunch.

Hiking and driving were about the only forms of recreation indulged in yesterday. Visiting was held to a minimum in compliance with the request of the authorities and few groups of loiterers were discernible in either the business or the residential districts. The street cars carried good sized crowds but the passengers, as a rule, were people who were en route to the suburbs for short constitutionals or taking trips that they felt to be absolutely necessary.

The small boy is a courageous youngster whose courage has been put to test during recent months of these epochal days. Some weeks ago his mother gave him an important talk in which she broke the news that he must be prepared to suffer by reason of the war. The use of castor oil, she told him as an airplane lubricant, has rendered it scarce and expensive. The youngster learned that his doses must be few and far between. He took the announcement like a man and exhibited a fortitude that was remarkable.

Saturday he received another unexpected announcement. Precautions taken in efforts to keep the city free from influenza, the young man learned, have necessitated the closing of the schools. He was informed that he would have a new vacation really for some days and perhaps for several weeks. He did whine or complain. He received the news with a willing-

was in order by the new orders that augmented the pride of his mother and won the admiration of his father.

Remedies and preventives recommended now and during past epidemics have been tried out in Asheville since the influenza first decided to fight it. Before influenza became a menace here, but people with more than the usual amount of sense are getting rich now are missing according to some of the downtown druggists. Today Crowley's and other drug stores had their windows and doors open and they point to fair customers at vacant counters as evidence that the new business is needed.

The downtown stores and those in the residential districts to a large extent enjoy their best patronage in business when people are seeking amusement. When theatres are running, patrons of the movies become patrons of the fountains as well. Young couples usually drop in after the picture show to a table near the table of a drug store or refreshment stand. They frequently spend some money at the candy counter also.

When the movies are closed their patrons stay at home and the soda dispensers are called upon to serve only that small percentage of the trade which is composed of people who are downtown on business.

Paradoxical though it seems, sanitarium inmates and other people here for their health seem in less danger now than anyone else. The reason is simple enough. Sick people whose entire time is devoted to getting well are not exposing themselves. No business tempts them to visit the downtown districts when their place is at home.

But an even stronger factor in their favor is the fact that they are under doctors care. The hundreds of people who are here to fight physical impairment have been warned by their physicians that they must be careful. And they follow their doctor's advice. They don't hesitate to report symptoms that a man not under a doctor's care might ignore pending a more decided sign.

Still another advantage is theirs. They are fresh air fiends. They sleep out and they live out. A morning chill in the air is relish to them, whereas it drives a more healthy person to a [illegible] their health know that sunshine and air are their best friends and the resultant [illegible] of the value of outdoor living constitute an old story to health-seekers.

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# SATURDAY CLOSING ORDER IS PASSED

## NEARLY ALL PLACES OF BUSINESS TO CLOSE AT 6 O'CLOCK

### Merchants and Grocers May Take Orders Over Telephone After Closing Hour

At the meeting of the city commissioners yesterday afternoon it was ordered that all places of business where people come for the purpose of buying and selling shall be closed to the public at 6 o'clock each Saturday afternoon while the Spanish influenza epidemic is on until further notice except the following:

Restaurants for the serving of meals only.

Drug stores for the sale of drugs and medicinal supplies only.

Offices of public service corporations.

Garages for the sale of gasoline where out-door tanks are used.

Laundries and pressing clubs.

All places of business coming within the exceptions noted above are asked to take every precaution to see that persons do not gather in such places of business except for the purpose of making actual purchases. Any failure to observe the spirit of this request will be considered grounds for the revocation of such exception.

In making the above order the commissioners wish to make it plain that there is nothing in the order to prevent merchants and grocers from receiving orders over the telephone after 6 o'clock closing hour and making deliveries, the spirit of the order being such as to prevent the gathering together of people which might tend to cause the spread of Spanish influenza in the city.

The secretary-treasurer, Frank L. Condor, was authorized by the board to furnish Chief of Police J. A. Lyerly with a copy of the order with the directions [illegible] the board.

The commissioners ordered that a voucher for $115.28 be drawn as a part payment on mats purchased for the use of the Reserve Infantry.

The only other business transacted by the board was the passing of the following building permits:

L. J. Sherrill, 40 South French Broad avenue, garage, $60.

W. W. Britt, 48 Woodfin street, repairs, $25.

J. Y. Sullivan, 5 Hall street, stable and chicken coop, $75.

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# WILL SERVE FOOD TO SICK IN CITY

## LAY WORKERS PLAN APPROVED BY CITY BOARD

### Soup Kitchen Will Visit Those in Need Today—Five Asheville Doctors Suffering From Influenza.

About seventy-five cases of influenza were reported to the health department yesterday, a considerable increase over the two days previous and the officials of the department were still further encouraged in their efforts to check the spread of the disease. The total of cases is now somewhat over 1,000 with many of those first reported now recovered.

There continues to be a great demand for nurses and volunteers who are willing to clean up homes so as to make them comfortable for entire families that are rendered practically helpless. In the work the Associated charities, the volunteer nurses and the lay workers are doing notable work. Miss Jane Brown, district nurse for Associated charities, and four lay volunteers yesterday visited a large number of homes, preparing food, cleaning house and doing nurses' work for the patients. In many places men are found doing all the house work. The need for cooks and nurses apparently cannot be entirely supplied.

On suggestion of some of the lay workers, a plan was endorsed by the city commissioners last night for serving hot soup and cereals to the sick in homes that are in need of this service and this work will begin today. Miss E. Grace Miller, secretary of the Associated charities, will be in charge and she has appointed as her assistants Miss Marcella Maxwell, Miss Florence Carter and Mrs. Lois Maxwell. Hot food will be taken from house to house in automobiles.

The need for this sort of service became very apparent yesterday morning when the workers with Miss Brown visited homes that had missed [illegible] and were found [illegible] and it was not necessarily poverty; it was simply lack of help. In one home the mother was ill in bed with two little babies, twins a month old, and one boy, all four in one bed; two other children were sick in another bed in the same room. Another family in the same house, consisting of a mother and three children, were in a similar helpless condition.

Physicians working in that district of the city last night expressed much satisfaction over the plan to serve hot food of suitable kind to their patients.

A need for care on the part of the public in protecting themselves against influenza was emphasized when it was stated last night that at least five Asheville doctors are now suffering from the malady. These are Dr. J. W. Huston, Dr. J. M. Lynch, Dr. G. D. Gardner, Dr. H. G. Brookshire and Dr. Jere Cocke. Dr. Terrell of Black Mountain is also ill in a local hospital with the disease. Moreover, a number of trained nurses have been stricken with influenza. The number of doctors in the city was already reduced through war drafts, twenty-two physicians from Asheville having entered the medical service of army or navy. Under these circumstances, the health officials warn everybody to exercise all possible precautions against the epidemic.

The Saturday night closing order applies to barber shops and to all places where articles are bought and sold inside the building. The city board made it plain that it will not be compliance with the order to close the store and then hand out merchandise through the door, though it will be permissible to deliver by wagon after 6 o'clock.

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# PEOPLE URGED TO WORSHIP AT HOME

## MINISTERS' ASSOCIATION ISSUES APPEAL TO CONGREGATIONS.

### Statement Says Closing Order Can Be Sanctified to More Real and Intense Family Devotions.

In a message to the members of their churches, the Asheville ministers' association urges the people, while the Sunday church closing order is in effect, to resort more to family worship than they have ever done before. A statement prepared by a committee of ministers follows:

"At the last meeting of the Ministers' association of Asheville, those present expressed a desire, by an unanimous vote, to reach the Christian people of Asheville with a word of confidence and hope.

"As the health authorities deem it best to continue the order for the closing of churches, the ministers ask the press to be the medium through which they may deliver this message to the people.

"While we, your pastors, do regret that conditions are such as to necessitate the order from the health authorities forbidding the gathering together of people for the purposes of worship in their respective churches, we do nevertheless believe that such an order can be sanctified to a more real and intense family worship and home devotion than we have ever had before in the family and home life of Asheville.

"While the church is pre-eminently a spiritual and eternal and emphasizing holiness rather than health, nevertheless it realizes that health is of great value to holiness, and that man's body is closely allied with his spirit. The church, therefore, feels that it is justified in taking a leading part in the prevention of the spread of [illegible]

"The fact, therefore, that the people are denied the privilege of assembling themselves together in their respective places of worship, denotes a desire on the part of the board of health to have the church set the example in obedience to the rule of health in this particular epidemic; that the spread of this disease may be checked by a temporary discontinuance of meetings of people in all places. The Scripture speaks of the church as a body having many members. As the body of man will not suffer as long as the members of his body continue their functions, so we believe that the spiritual welfare of the church, which is the body of Christ, will not suffer in a time like this, if each of us, its members, will continue functioning in the vital exercise of prayer, praise and service.

"We, therefore, urge family worship in each home of our congregations. Let the head of each family be priest in his own home, and lead the worship and study of Scripture, in so far as possible, as it has been led regularly for him in the church. Let the children be taught the regular lesson in the home, at the usual Sunday school hours.

"We, your pastors, realize that one of the great things we will be denied by the order closing the churches is the mutual power that comes from public pr[illegible] We need to pray such prayers and results are showing us that our nation and men in arms are invincible while God's people pray. We have cause for meditation and thanksgiving in that since the people have responded to the call sent forth by our president for united prayer, the tide of battle has turned against the forces of unrighteousness.

"We call attention to the following communication from General Pershing:

"The ideal of the nation and of the churches is constantly before us. With sincerity and firm purpose we set our faces toward the goal. After all, it is a common fight—yours there and ours here. What is necessary for the manhood of the soldier is necessary for the manhood of the citizen.

"The powerful resources of the nation which have been placed ungrudgingly at the disposition of the army are indispensable for the accomplishment of our duty. But we know what mere wealth of material resources or even of technical skill [illegible]

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"We heartily encourage the laying of our material resources at the service of our government, and we earnestly appeal to the people to offer fervent prayer at the altar of every family. Let this prayer be not only for the men who have gone from our own homes, but for our president and his advisers; our country and her allies; the success of our arms and for the spiritual welfare of every fighting man.

"We, your pastors, join you in the prayers and efforts that are being made for the arrest of the present epidemic, and we hope to greet you soon in the public services of our churches.

"May the benediction of God's peace and love abide with you."

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# The Influenza Committee of The Red Cross Calls for Volunteer Workers

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Our people are suffering for lack of attention as never before.

More Asheville people are dying of Influenza at home than are dying from all causes on the battle-fields of France.

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Fifth: The use of automobiles for delivering food.

This Work is as patriotic and self-sacrificing as any war work and the Asheville Chapter of the American Red Cross on instructions from Headquarters has opened up its supplies and funds to meet this emergency.

## Volunteer At Once

Work will be paid for when necessary but we appeal first to your patriotism.

In co-operation with the City Health Office, Headquarters have been established in the City Hall, Telephone 152, where volunteers should call and where assistance should be asked. Office hours 8:00 a. m. to 10:00 p. m.

## Red Cross Influneza Committee.

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# SEVERAL TEACHERS HAVE RESIGNED JOBS

**Superintendent Howell Reports to Commissioners and Recommends Appointment of Successors.**

At the meeting of the city commissioners yesterday afternoon Professor Harry Howell, superintendent of the city schools, reported the resignation of a number of teachers in the various schools. In some cases the vacancies have been filled, but others are yet to be filled.

The recommendation of Professor Howell as to successors for those resigned was accepted by the board, and the newly elected teachers will take up their duties upon the reconvening of the schools.

The following were among those reported as resigning by the superintendent:

Miss Margaret W. Brown, Orange street school, to be succeeded by Miss Eva Johnson.

Roy B. Bowers, of the high school, to be succeeded by Miss Margaret W. Aherne.

A. J. Hutchins, of the high school. Vacancy to be filled.

Miss Blanche Jones, Asheland avenue school, to be succeeded by Miss Marguerite McDowell.

G. L. Kelly, high school. Vacancy to be filled.

H. D. Shaw, high school. Vacancy to be filled.

Miss Betty B. Sites, Montford and Asheland kindergartens, to be succeeded by Miss Mary Buttrick.

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# RED CROSS WILL AID IN FIGHTING EPIDEMIC

## EXTENSIVE AND INTENSIVE PREPARATIONS MADE.

### Emergency Office Will Be Opened in Health Department Quarters in City Hall Today.

Asheville chapter of the American Red Cross made extensive and intensive preparations yesterday afternoon at a meeting of its executive committee called by Chairman Dr. S. Westray Battle, to aid the health department of the city in combatting the epidemic of influenza.

Following fast on this prompt step and the appointment of a Red Cross influenza committee, an emergency office will be opened in the health department quarters of the city hall this morning, this being available to the public by personal call or by telephone, No. 152, from 8 o'clock in the morning until 10 o'clock at night.

Combining with the city, the chapter is prepared to use its resources to the utmost to help the people of this community. The office will be a place to which the people may appeal their needs for doctors, nurses, medical supplies, nurses aids, necessary help in sick families, food. Their requests will be put in line for attention. The office cannot promise miracles, nor give assurance that it can do what it would wish. Exactly what this Red Cross organization will endeavor to do is stated in an advertisement appearing in this paper.

The organization wants nurses, nurses' aids, domestic help, to be registered at its office and be available at call, all of which is detailed in the advertisement. Volunteer service is sought where possible, but pay for services is also not lacking.

The Asheville chapter, acting on advices from the southern division that it co-operate with the city health officers and use its supplies and necessary war fund in such an emergency, named [illegible] to co-operate with the city health officers. Dr. S. Westray Battle, Miss Hattie Scott, Charles W. Brown, Mrs. E. F. Wilson, Miss E. Grace Miller, Mrs. Cameron Waddell, with ample powers to act. And the committee promptly and effectively acted.

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## Cross Influneza Committee.

# LOCAL PHYSICIANS WORKING LONG HOURS

## MORNING SHOPPERS MULTIPLY IN ASHEVILLE.

### Miss Maude Adams Is Spending Enforced Vacation at Augusta—Atlanta Full of Stranded Actors.

An Asheville physician sleepily stirred his coffee as he waited for a sandwich at an all-night restaurant this morning about 2 o'clock. "My first meal since Sunday breakfast," he remarked casually. And the waiter did not doubt his words when he saw the voracity with which the sandwich was attacked.

Never before in the history of the city have local physicians experienced such a demand for their services as at the present time. The member of the medical profession who hastily devoured his sandwich and coffee and hurriedly left for a brief nap before beginning another day is typical of the doctors here.

The influenza situation finds this city, together with other cities throughout the country, facing an acute shortage of physicians. The shortage is not sufficient to create a panic, but it is of such a nature as to call for the utmost caution on the part of Asheville residents. Doctors, like everybody else, have their working limits, and immediate answers to calls for medical attention are not to be expected except in cases involving critical conditions and great danger.

An Asheville physician, specialising in pulmonary troubles, left home last night at 2 o'clock after coming in for a bite to eat. His calling list contained forty-five names of patients whom he expected to see before the close of his working day. Many of them were suffering with nothing worse than colds but all of them felt that they needed medical attention.

A young lady called the family [illegible] asked that he see her. When he arrived late in the afternoon, she peevishly complained of his delay in reaching her bedside. "My dear young lady," he responded, "you are one of many people who require attention. This is no time to complain of delays. You should be thankful that you are able to get a doctor at all."

A thriving city of 20,000 people finds itself with a small town's quota of physicians. Patriotic members of the medical profession have left Asheville in large numbers during the past year to answer their country's call. They have not hesitated to go to the front to render needed services to those thousands of young soldiers whose determined fighting has made the German emperor talk in terms of peace.

The exodus of soldier-physicians left Asheville with a limited number of trained men to care for this city's needs under normal conditions. But conditions are not normal now and to add to the seriousness of the situation, the ranks of the doctors have been invaded by influenza. No less than eight of them have suffered attacks of the malady and their work naturally falls on the shoulders of their already overworked contemporaries. So the person who takes unnecessary risks these days lacks every element of caution and will have a hard time finding sympathy if he is attacked. The same conditions that apply to physicians affect in a large degree their very valuable helpers, the trained nurses.

Local merchants have suffered keenly as a result of the measures taken to control influenza here. But some of them have discovered that the situation has not been wholly without its advantages. Many women are learning the delights of morning shopping and when Asheville becomes normal again it will have a larger percentage of before-lunch buyers than it has ever had in the past.

Many customers of local mercantile firms who have heretofore done all their buying during the afternoon rush hours are going to the stores early during these days of precautionary measures. And they are learning that merchants have not been wrong when they have emphasized the advantages of gradually spreading the business over an entire day, rather than reserving the most of it for short afternoon and early evening periods.

Women who heretofore have contributed to the strain of salespeople during the afternoon rush hours are finding that their shopping can be much better performed at earlier hours and they are forming a habit they are not likely to break. So, after all, some good may come from the necessity of living under the many restraints recently imposed.

Miss Maude Adams, whose presentation of "A Kiss for Cinderella," was canceled by local authorities, is spending an enforced fall vacation at Augusta, Ga. Her company was to have visited Asheville for a performance at the Auditorium last Tuesday night. Just about the time Asheville closed its theatres, similar action was taken by the authorities of a number of other cities at which she was booked to appear. So she and her company went to Augusta, where they expect to remain until conditions throughout the south are more adapted to Thespian pursuits.

Miss Adams told an Asheville man recently that she was very much disappointed because of her inability to appear here. She fell in love with Asheville upon a recent visit and was looking forward with pleasurable interest to another opportunity to appear at this city.

A traveling man arriving here yesterday from Atlanta said that city is full of stranded theatrical and vaudeville companies. Many musical comedies went there when calculations began to multiply and vaudeville acts touring the south made for the Georgia capital. Atlanta is southern headquarters for a number of booking agencies which probably accounts for the fact that it is now the mecca for idle actors.

Georgia seems to have been a circus as well as a stage graveyard. Both John Robinson and Ringling brothers brought their seasons to an abrupt close in that state, it is learned here. The last named tented organization last week sold more than 100 ponies and horses at auction at a Georgia city. It preferred to dispose of them rather than feed them during the winter, realizing that the show season has come to an end at a time when its resumption this year seems an utter impossibility.

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# RED CROSS CALLS FOR VOLUNTEERS

## FIRST DAY CONVINCES COMMITTEE OF CITY'S GREAT NEED.

### Entire Families in Bed and Helpless. Second Emergency Kitchen to Be Opened at High School.

The first day's work of the influenza committee of the Asheville Red Cross chapter convinced those in charge that there is much to do and few to do it in Asheville these days. All day at the city hall requests came in for nurses, medical aid, food and for help in making homes comfortable that have become, in many cases, sadly neglected while influenza has laid its hands on one member after another of families.

This morning the committee will be located in one of Mayor Rankin's offices, telephone 1811, and those who are in need of assistance are requested to call this number instead of 152. Miss Mary Leeper will be on duty this morning at the office; this afternoon Mrs. E. R. Monroe will have charge; the office will also be open until 10 o'clock this evening.

Chairman Thomas W. Raoul of the committee, Miss E. Grace Miller of the Associated charities and others were in the office yesterday, and the reports they received caused them last night to make an urgent call for volunteers to care for the sick in Asheville and in the suburbs. Whole families are in bed with influenza. In one house, occupied by two families, ten people were helpless and without aid until the committee sent volunteers to administer medicine, take food and attend to other necessary work around the house. The committee lays emphasis on the statement that workers are needed who are willing to go into homes stricken by disease and render any aid that is necessary. Some volunteers responded yesterday who did not seem to be ready to do any work that might fall to their lot.

This morning another emergency kitchen station will be opened at the high school, with Mrs. Rachael Hanaman in charge, assisted by volunteer workers. The station at Park avenue, in charge of Miss Queen Carson, has done splendid work for three days past, preparing soup and cereals which were taken to the influenza patients by volunteer owners of automobiles. The Red Cross committee asks that those who wish to donate potatoes and other vegetables for this service will communicate with them at telephone 1811. In large numbers of cases people who are able to pay for service have not been able to secure food enough because of the scarcity of servants, nurses and nurses' assistants.

The committee also urges all patients who have trained nurses waiting on them to release these nurses as soon as their condition warrants such action. Such patients may then be looked after by lay nurses while the trained workers give their attention to those whose condition is more critical.

No reports were obtainable at the health department yesterday on the number of new cases of influenza, but the Red Cross committee heard of enough new cases to impress its members with the need for prompt action in mobilizing all workers in the city who will work, either with or without pay. The committee feels that the duty now rests on all who are able to work is as much for the relief of humanity as any call that has come to Asheville people. It is pointed out that the war and the epidemic has made nurses and doctors scarce in the city and the lay men and women will have to take their places to a large extent. Several doctors are still ill and quite a number of nurses have contracted influenza while nursing their patients.

The committee of the Red Cross which is carrying on this work to aid Dr. Carl V. Reynolds, city health officer, is composed of the following:

Thomas W. Raoul, chairman; Dr. S. Westray Battle, Miss Hattie Scott, Charles W. Brown, Mrs. E. F. Wilson, Miss E. Grace Miller, Mrs. Cameron Waddell.

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# OPEN-AIR SESSIONS OF CITY COURT HELD

## CITY HALL CHAMBERS LEASED BY ATTACHES.

### Youngsters Draw Indeterminate Terms—New Arrangements Creates Unusual Conditions.

Dr. Carl V. Reynolds, city health officer, appeared in police court yesterday morning charged with the enforcement of the health ordinances. He entered a strenuous objection to the holding of sessions within doors, stating that congregations gathered for the daily sessions are dangerous during these days of influenza. The objection was sustained with the result that an outdoor session was held on the south portico of the city hall and announcement was made that future meetings will be conducted just north of the main entrance in the foyer.

Judge Glenn is trying only cases which he feels should be disposed of immediately, such as those in which the defendants are in jail. Submissions are being taken, too, and trials are being conducted when there are but few witnesses to be heard. Actions in which bonds have been posted with the assurance that they can be renewed are being continued as are cases in which many witnesses are to be heard. Dr. Reynolds told Judge Glenn that he has no expectation that local conditions can be remedied for at least six weeks, stating that influenza is a malady which can not be placed under control within a few days. Continuances are being granted until the middle and latter part of November.

It was a breezy session which met out-of-doors yesterday and many changes in court procedure were noticed. Attendants were permitted to wear [illegible] while court was in session and [illegible] disciples were told that they could smoke during the meeting of the tribunal. The presence of the large gathering out of doors attracted wide attention among passersby and delivery boys employed at the city market were delighted with the new arrangement. Their employers have just begun to realize that the campaign against influenza works hardships. It took a wise market man to keep his boys busy with an opportunity presented to enjoy a court session just outside their places of employment.

A long docket faced Judge Glenn but with many continuances granted, the session was of short duration. Three boys whose ages range around sixteen years faced the tribunal on a serious charge, being arraigned for storebreaking. It was proved that they forced an entrance to the window of the Pack square store of the Otis Green Hardware company and stole four shotguns, three of which were recovered. The offense was committed during the early part of September since which time the officers have been at work on the case. The youngsters will go to the county reformatory for a term of not less than one year and more than five years. They are Hub Stewart, Spencer Brooks and Charlie Mayo. They might have been docketed for the attention of the juvenile court but for the seriousness of their offense and the fact that among the trio Judge Glenn recognized former offenders. The little fellows seemed little impressed by the plight in which they found themselves and conducted themselves with considerably more serenity than many older defendants who faced the court on less serious charges.

Bud Dooley, colored, seventeen years old, got a road sentence of two months on a charge of stealing four pairs of shoes from a local dealer. A half dozen gamblers paid fines for shaking the dice and the docket was not without its usual Monday morning quota of defendants in drunkenness cases. One of these gave out some rather unusual testimony in resisting a verdict of guilty. He maintained that he had not had a drink and swore that he was required to blow his breath in the arresting officer's face before the policeman could diagnose his condition. The officer told a different story, however, and a fine of $25 and the costs was paid after Judge Glenn had advised the defendant to take his case to the higher court if he desired to continue his fight in the matter. No such desire was entertained. A suburban merchant paid the costs for failing to close his store at 6 o'clock in compliance with influenza precautionary measures. He was delayed in getting his sidewalk display in, he said. He promised to start earlier next Saturday.

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# 213 NEW CASES OF INFLUENZA REPORTED

## YESTERDAY'S REPORT SHOWED INCREASE OF EPIDEMIC.

### Another Emergency Food Station Opened in Masonic Temple.

### Workers Still in Demand.

Two hundred and thirteen new cases of influenza were reported to the city health department yesterday by Asheville physicians; 109 was the number of new cases Sunday, and the total since the epidemic started here now stands at about 1,750. However, it is to be remembered that a large per cent of the total number reported have recovered. About fourteen deaths among Asheville people have occurred.

Health officials stated last night that while the spread of the disease in Asheville has not been as rapid as in some other places, it is to be expected that the malady will continue here for another two weeks, and the public is warned to exercise all possible precautions in avoiding the disease.

With a large number of trained nurses and lay nurses ill with influenza, the work of ministering to the sick still furnished a problem yesterday to the health officers, the doctors and the Red Cross nurses and helpers. The Red Cross committee, formed to supplement the work of the doctors and of the Associated charities, was kept busy all day and in the evening answering calls for food, medicine and nursing. Chairman Thomas W. Raoul of the committee last night again called on all trained nurses who are available for service to report to the city hall office, telephone 1811, so that they may be sent to the homes of people who are in desperate need of aid. There is still great need for workers who are not trained nurses but who are willing to care for the less serious cases so that trained nurses may be released for attendance on those critically ill.

The emergency kitchen station, planned for operation in the high school building, was opened yesterday morning at the Masonic temple. The committee found that the splendid kitchen equipment maintained by Asheville Masons was more convenient than that at the high school and they gladly accepted the offer of the Masonic order to use the commodious culinary department for the relief of the suffering. Mrs. Rachael Hanaman, county home demonstration agent, is in charge of this station and those who wish to volunteer to aid her may call the Red Cross committee, telephone 1811. Donations of vegetables will be needed every day and Mrs. Hanaman will be able to find work for a few capable assistants. This station, as well as the one at Park Avenue school, is not only serving food to the financially needy, but to those who have been left without household servants during the epidemic.

Last night W. F. Randolph, secretary of the Masonic bodies of Asheville, stated that the Masons are a large order here and that they are glad not only to give the use of their kitchen but that they will do whatever else they can to aid the Red Cross committee in taking care of the epidemic situation.

The relief work is becoming well organized. County Food Administrator F. M. Weaver last night called on those who have co-operated with the food department in saving and canning food products to be generous now in donating food articles for relief of the sick. Mr. Weaver stated that the people are to be commended for the way they gave food yesterday for relief work. One woman gave the emergency stations a small carload [illegible] jellies came in from other donors with gratifying promptness after the first call was issued. The county food administrator said that it would give him pleasure to report to State Administrator Page how Asheville people have broken into their stores of winter provisions for the aid of those who are suffering now because of the influenza epidemic.

When a number of people appeared on the streets and in their places of business yesterday wearing masks, it was evident that the advice of the health officers is being taken. Dr. Carl V. Reynolds, city health officer, warns the public that masks should be taken off and sterilized several times daily in order to make them effective. Drug stores yesterday did a rush business in selling spraying outfits and applications of various kinds. Heads of families on their way home from business are seen carrying medicines of many kinds that have been recommended as preventives.

Reports last night on the number of nurses who are ill with influenza gave another warning to the well to guard themselves with new vigilance. It is said that probably fifty nurses are now patients instead of being numbered among those who are trying to overcome the epidemic. Among the nurses who have contracted the malady is Miss Jane Brown, district nurse, who worked night and day until she was forced to give up.

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# *To the Masonic Fraternity of Asheville:*

*Your directing officers ask that, if you have not already done so, you will at once begin your co-operation with the Red Cross Influenza Committee.*

*The Masonic Temple conveniences have been placed at the disposal of the committee, and an Emergency Kitchen is busy preparing nourishing food for the needy.*

## The Urgent Call Is For VOLUNTEERS:

**Physicians**
**Nurses, graduate or practical**
**Emergency Housekeepers and Aids**
**Cooks and Helpers for Emergency Kitchen**

**The use of Automobiles for collecting donations and delivering food**

**DONATIONS ARE NEEDED of vegetables and chickens for soup stock, eggs, milk and cash.**

## YOU are in this List, Phone 648 under which head you will work

# *Lives Can Be Saved*

*And suffering relieved by rendering your service now.*

*By order: W. F. RANDOLPH, Secretary*

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# RELIEF WORK NOW WELL ORGANIZED HERE

## ONLY 113 NEW INFLUENZA CASES REPORTED YESTERDAY

### Branch Food Station Will Be Opened in Elk Mountain Mill Section. Masons Co-Operating.

With only 113 new influenza cases reported in the city yesterday, and with relief organization rapidly assuming completeness, Asheville health officers last night felt that the epidemic here is well in hand. The health department explained that the large report on Monday, 218 cases, was due in part to the fact that a number of physicians did not report on Sunday. It was stated that there is at this time apparently no emergency requiring the establishment of a special hospital for the sick.

The emergency food station at Park avenue school was yesterday consolidated with the station at the Masonic temple, and today a branch station will be installed in the Elk Mountain mill district, where there are a large number of cases that require special attention. Donations came into the Red Cross influenza committee yesterday in gratifying quantities. About $50 worth of vegetables, chickens, milk and other supplies were donated by various individuals and Fred L. Seely will today send five gallons of soup from Grove Park inn.

Masons of Asheville, who have already placed their kitchen equipment at the disposal of the committee, are organizing themselves into a committee to collect supplies for the food stations and for distribution of food to those who are in need. It is pointed out that people who are without servants may call the Masonic temple, telephone 648, and have food sent to them and charged, if they wish to pay for this service. Those who are not able to pay will be served as rapidly

Dr. D. E. Sevier, county health officer, stated last night that while there are many cases scattered through the rural districts, there is nothing alarming in the situation, and he urged that the people of the county should not become alarmed. It is probable that a meeting will be held this afternoon to organize a county relief committee.

A meeting was held in Weaverville last night to form a relief committee for that community. Mrs. Joe Meares and C. R. Moore had charge of the meeting and plans were perfected for caring for the sick. It was reported that there are not very many cases in Weaverville.

A report that Black Mountain was hit hard by the epidemic was not confirmed. While there have been many cases there, the disease appears not to be spreading rapidly, said a doctor who was in touch with the situation.

Among corporations who have suffered considerably in the epidemic, the telegraph companies of Asheville report serious disorganization of their forces. On account of sickness in the local forces of operators as well as other stations on their lines, the Western Union and the Postal company have often in the past week been several hours behind their schedules, the Western Union officials stated yesterday this week that they were four hours behind with messages. The offices of both Asheville companies have been practically covered up at times with inquiries seeking old friends and relatives and information connected with the influenza malady in the city. These extra inquiries in addition to the regular routine of business has greatly taxed the facilities here. But Western Union operators were today reported all well in hand.

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# SULPHUR IN SHOES IS A GOOD PREVENTIVE

## SAID TO BE A SURE CURE TO INFLUENZA.

### Georgia Doctor Recommends "Gargle" Method Used by an Asheville Colored Woman.

A leading doctor in the state of Georgia, who has passed unscathed through a serious yellow fever epidemic, is authority for the statement that a little sulphur placed in the shoes each day is a positive preventive for Spanish influenza. This preventive is suggested in an article in a recent article in the Atlanta Constitution.

The use of sulphur in this manner is not an altogether new thing in this city, for at least one colored woman in the city has been using it since the present epidemic started here. This woman was in the office of W. S. Hyams, clerk of the United States District court, a few days ago, and in discussing the situation with him she was told by Mr. Hyams that she should use a gargle every day to keep well.

"I does it, yes sir, I does it. Every morning I shakes a little sulphur in my shoes. It shore is the stuff to gargle with."

The article from the Constitution follows:

Put a small amount of sulphur in each shoe every morning and good-by influenza.

This is the remedy offered to the people of Atlanta by a Georgia doctor who has been practicing in Dixie for forty years and who went through the yellow fever epidemic in New Orleans in 1897 unscathed.

His account of the successful trials of this remedy follows:

"In the early eighties I moved to Louisiana to practice medicine, and remained in the town where I first located for nearly twenty years. The town in which I located was in the southwestern portion of the state and had large sugar and lumber industries, therefore I met many traveling men, and one in particular I remember from Memphis, Tenn., who told me one evening that he had nursed yellow fever and cholera in all its stages, had assisted in burying the dead, and that the only precaution he ever took was to sprinkle sulphur in his shoes every morning during the epidemic and that he had never contracted the disease; furthermore, every one he told about it and who had tried it, not a single one had had the disease.

"In 1897 we had an epidemic of yellow fever, and remembering what this gentleman had told me I tried it, notwithstanding I had very little confidence in it. I shall never regret having tried it, for I escaped the fever, although I nursed it in all its stages during the entire epidemic. Now what has this to do with influenza? It has the same to do with it that it had to do with yellow fever and cholera—kill the germ. I believe when the system is thoroughly saturated with the sulphur, as suggested, it will prevent the germs of any disease from attacking the system. There is no doubt that sulphur will penetrade the system readily, for when one takes sulphur in the system and has a silver dollar in his pocket, it will be turned black, caused by the sulphuretted hydrogen. Try it and see. Now it would be very little trouble to have the boys in the camps carry out this suggestion and thus break up the disease which is causing so much suffering and a great many deaths."

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# ADULT APPEARANCES SUGGEST HALLOWEEN

## DOMINOES APPEAR IN DOWN-TOWN DISTRICTS.

### Servant Problem Affected—Flasks Useful Again—Animals Are Safe. Health Officer "Talks Time."

Certain sections of the downtown business districts yesterday seemed to habor premature Halloween celebrators, men and women appearing to participate in the weird festivities. Youngsters who stirred about thought the older folks had stolen a march on them until it dawned upon them that the adults whom the saw with faces masked were taking precautions against influenza.

Yesterday was the first time that Ashevillelans have appeared generally with the white mouth and nose coverings. There has been many masks worn heretofore but wearers have been careful to stay close to their homes. The precautionary masks have been discarded when visits to the business districts were necessary. But it was different yesterday. Not a few dominoes made their appearance when the banks were opened, tellers at several of the local financial institutions appearing with visors of gauze.

Once the idea was put into execution down town there was no opposition whatever to following suit. Consequently before noon various stores and offices contained veiled occupants, the official women's custom finding many American imitators of both sexes. By the middle of the afternoon masked figures were seen on the streets and when the lights began to appear in the business districts the sight had lost its novelty. Masks are are expected to multiply now that the ice has been broken.

Housewives are beginning to learn that the influenza situation causes hardships from many strange angles. On the face of it, one would hardly presume that the precautionary measures taken here would affect to any marked degree the servant problem. Yet the fact has developed recently that cooks, maids and nurses are hard to hold in sneezing households. And yesterday washerwomen who called for the clothes in many instances wanted to know whether they had been worn by or near influenza sufferers before they took the bundles.

The colored people, like the white people, realize that there is no cause for panic here, Asheville being much better off than the other cities of the country. But, like the white people, they are not willing to run any unnecessary risks and they have shied in large numbers from houses whose occupants are snuffling. Servants are needed worse when illness is in the house than at other times, and the unwillingness of some of the colored people to retain employment in families whose members have been exposed has resulted in great discomfort.

The present epidemic of influenza differs from that of a quarter of a century ago in that it is thus far confined to human beings, whereas the old Russian influenza epidemic spread to horses in large numbers. Local veterinarians report that their charges have shown no symptoms which caused such severe losses among stockmen during the spread of the former malady. They are rather inclined to the belief that the animals are going to escape this time since they have not been affected thus far.

Dr. B. L. Price said yesterday that the worst trouble the horse ever had among animals about thirty years ago. He said that he had under his care at that time six horses in one barn, of which number only one escaped death. That was a typical instance. Thousands of the animals died in stables, he said, and from practically all parts of the country there came reports of horses dropping dead in the streets.

Not every man who carries a flask on his hip is hitting the booze nor are all the persons who are seen sniffing powders and chewing tablets are dope fiends. They are merely good citizens who are making it their chief aim to dodge the influenza germ and who don't object to public assaults on the malady.

An Asheville man who used to like a nip in the days when a poor man could afford one occasionally, has owned for several years a handsome, leather-enclosed, silver-mounted flask. A year ago he laid it away tenderly, feeling that its term of usefulness had passed. He would have sold or pawned it but for the fact that it was a gift from a friend. Yesterday he drew it out, sterilized it and took it to his druggist. It was delivered to him once a few minutes later, filled with a standard mouth wash. He has discovered that it's easier to practice oral hygiene when the disinfectant comes from the receptacle which formerly held the Scotch.

Powder and pill boxes are being carried right along with watch keys in the most crystals places to meet, while women are using them more or less promiscuously to powder the nose. Nothing in the way of a preventive or cure has been discovered, however, other than the sensible plan of swallowing a powder six times each day, one's reputation for sanity is sacrificed when a capsule is publicly devoured.

How long will it last? A question on so many tongues it was answered yesterday by Dr. Carl V. Reynolds: "Six weeks at least, probably longer, is the limit."

Dr. Reynolds told Judge Glenn in police court that influenza epidemics are not easily conquered. He has no hope of lifting the restraints under which this city is now living before the latter part of next month. So Asheville people may as well become accustomed to present conditions. No immediate relief is in sight.

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# TO ORGANIZE RELIEF WORK IN THE COUNTY

## J. W. HAYNES APPOINTED BUNCOMBE INFLUENZA DIRECTOR.

### Red Cross Auxiliaries and Township Supervisors Will Work Together to Fight Disease in County.

At a meeting yesterday of the Red Cross influenza committee, members of the Council of Defense, the county commissioners' board, with city and county health officers, plans were perfected for forming a county organization to combat influenza in the rural districts. It was stated at the meeting that while conditions in the county districts are not serious, it was deemed wise to take steps to prevent the spread of the disease and to provide for patients in remote communities who might be in need of medical attention or nursing.

At the request of the organizations represented in the gathering, J. W. Haynes has accepted the position of director of influenza relief work in the county. Mr. Haynes will get in touch with the various Red Cross auxiliaries in the county and will appoint township supervisors who will keep informed of conditions in their communities. These township workers will report to Director Haynes who will open a central office for the work somewhere in Asheville. Mr. Haynes will aid in co-ordinating the activities of the Red Cross auxiliaries and the county health forces under Dr. D. E. Sevier, county health officer.

Yesterday afternoon Dr. S. Westray Battle, chairman of the executive committee of the Asheville Red Cross chapter, mailed the following letter to all Red Cross auxiliaries in the county:

"You have, no doubt, been apprised of the fact that a committee designated as the influenza committee of the Asheville chapter of the American Red Cross, has been appointed by the executive committee of the chapter to co-operate with the health authorities to aid in every way possible not only in combating the disease, but to relieve the suffering which is widespread over the country at this juncture. The disease, it is believed, will not last long, but in many instances and in many localities the suffering is great—whole families being prostrated at the same time; the mortality, as you know, is large by reason of complications. We are authorized by the southern division of the A. R. C. to use unreservedly its power in fighting the disease and relieving the suffering.

"The influenza committee has opened headquarters at the city hall and is mobilizing, with all its might, relief workers—doctors, nurses, nurses' aids, providing food where it is shown to be needed, and doing any and everything it can to help in ameliorating suffering. Our local and state health authorities are in hearty accord, and indeed are urging our organization to do its utmost. To this end we are sending out this call to the chairmen of the eighteen auxiliaries of this chapter in Buncombe county to aid us in every way possible.

"Mr. J. W. Haynes has accepted the appointment of director of the influenza relief work in the county during this epidemic. He has unselfishly promised to give his time and energy to this work, and will get in touch with the various auxiliaries and help in every way in organizing their relief work, and in turn the auxiliaries are advised to communicate freely with headquarters of the influenza committee at the city hall, telephone 1811, where some members of the committee are on hand from 8 o'clock in the morning until 10 at night.

"Please communicate freely; organize your relief work immediately and keep us advised of the situation."

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## Call for Night Drug Store

The Citizen has been asked to call attention to the need of an all-night drug store during the present influenza epidemic, and it believes that such a step could be taken in view of the existing emergency. This paper is well aware that under ordinary conditions, local drug stores could not afford to remain open all night, but "circumstances alter cases," and we believe that the various drug stores of the city could agree on one store being kept open every night, each store taking its turn for one week. Several physicians have stated that they have been handicapped in their work among influenza patients by having to call druggists out of bed during the night hours.

Meanwhile all persons expecting to have need for druggists' supplies should anticipate their wants, as far as possible, and order what they require before the drug stores close. This would be a great help to the local stores that find it difficult to meet night orders. The Citizen presents these suggestions in the belief that they are well worthy of consideration.

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# EMERGENCY HOSPITAL WILL BE OPENED HERE

## PARK AVENUE SCHOOL IS THE PROBABLE SIGHT.

### Washington Asked to Lend Azalea Hospital Beds—158 New Cases Were Reported Yesterday.

It was definitely decided last night to open an emergency hospital in Asheville for the care of influenza patients, and Park Avenue school will probably be the location. Orange Street school and other places were considered, but the Park school site seemed to be most favored last night by the Red Cross influenza committee and the city authorities.

A request was forwarded to Washington last night through Colonel Hoagland, of Azalea hospital, for the use of 100 or more beds from the hospital and an answer is expected today. It will require several days to equip the school building, if it is chosen, and the hospital will not, probably, be ready before Monday.

There were 158 new cases in the city yesterday for the twenty-four hours closing at 1 o'clock. While that does not constitute an alarming spread of the disease, in the opinion of the health officers, still there are many patients scattered through all sections of Asheville and nurses and doctors are still scarce. A central hospital will mean a great saving of time and labor. Dr. Carl V. Reynolds, city health officer, approves the movement.

The Red Cross committee yesterday issued a call for six colored women servants to aid the committee in household work and any other labor that must be done. Principal Lee of the Catholic Hill school is co-operating with Chairman Thomas W. Raoul in securing these workers and a number of volunteers are expected. The women will be paid for their services, [illegible] that the cause is a patriotic one and they are urged to respond to the needs of the community.

Donations of food and money poured in to the committee yesterday for use at the emergency food station. Mrs. Fred L. Seely gave $500; B. S. Colburn gave $100, and the contributions turned in by the Masons and others brought the total of money donations to about $850.

The canteen service of the Red Cross has taken charge of the distribution of food from the Masonic temple and many families are now receiving nourishing food regularly, a matter that the physicians emphasize as important for the influenza patients.

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# ALLEN BLACKWELL DIES AT HOME HERE

Allen Blackwell, formerly assistant stereotyper on The Citizen and lately employed as stereotyper on The Times, died Friday night at his home in West Asheville after a short illness. The deceased was nineteen years old, is survived by his wife and one child, his father, F. M. Blackwell, two brothers and two sisters. The funeral services will be held this afternoon at the home and interment will follow in the West Asheville cemetery.

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# TO HOLD SERVICES FOR LITTLE GIRL

Funeral services for Margaret Ruth Hawkins, five year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Hawkins of West Asheville who died yesterday afternoon of penumonia, will be held this afternoon at 2:30 o'clock, at the home. The pallbearers, who are railway men, are E. B. Birmingham, J. W. Edison, T. E. Jones, E. W. Collins, B. C. Means, B. A. Hampton.

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# COUNTY ORGANIZATION IS FORMED TO COMBAT INFLUENZA EPIDEMIC

## Director J. W. Haynes Appoints Township Supervisors and Committees Who Will Go to Work at Once. County Organizations and Red Cross Co-Operate.

J. W. Haynes, director of influenza work in Buncombe county, yesterday appointed township supervisors in every rural district and named committees who will have charge of activities to combat influenza in their communities. These committees are to co-operate with the Red Cross auxiliaries, the county health officer, Dr. D. E. Sevier, and other county organizations. The director especially urges that in addition to listing the names of volunteer nurses the committees will report the names of all persons who are available for nursing but who are unable to give their services.

Conditions in the county are not alarming, but just exactly what the situation is in each district is unknown, and for this reason the committees are urged to report to the supervisors as rapidly as possible.

Mr. Haynes made the following statement to the committees in regard to their duties:

"These committees will be augmented and every person in each community is requested to identify himself with one of these committees. Each committee will report directly to the township and precinct supervisor.

Briefly, the duties of each committee are as follows:

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"All committees and supervisors are requested to co-operate with Dr. D. E. Sevier, county health officer, the Red Cross, community betterment societies and other organizations in this work."

The supervisors and the township committees are as follows:

### Township Committees.

Township and precinct supervisor, Avery's Creek, Arden, N. C., R. F. D.—George Wallis.

Intelligence committee: S. O. Ingram, chairman; E. T. Ducker, George Glenn, Floyd Johnson.

Food committee: T. R. Patterson, chairman; Mrs. S. O. Ingram, Mrs. George Glenn.

Nursing committee: Mrs. Wallis chairman; Walter Johnson, Z. V. Green, Mrs. T. R. Patterson, R. J. Ledbetter.

Finance committee: M. S. Glenn, chairman.

Transportation committee: George Evans, chairman.

Beaverdam Ward, T. E. Blackstock, Asheville.

Intelligence committee: Holmes Bryson, chairman; J. R. Stradley, Robert Wright, S. A. Johnson, J. H. Brown.

Food committee: N. A. Reynolds, chairman; J. M. Westall, Miss Fannie [illegible] Mrs. T. R. Stradley, Mrs.

Biltmore—J. P. Kitchin, Biltmore.

Intelligence committee: J. M. Brookshire, chairman; J. B. Sales, W. J. Reed, Fred Kenney, Clyde Reed.

Food committee: Mrs. Fred Kenny, chairman; R. J. Dowtin, Theo. Davidson, John A. Sorrells, T. C. Sales.

Nursing committee: Dr. A. S. Wheeler, chairman; J. T. Roberts, Mrs. R. J. Dowtin, Mrs. L. D. Maney, K. M. Sales.

Finance committee: R. C. Sales, chairman; Ed Stevens.

Transportation committee: Horace Gudger, chairman; T. M. Howerton.

Black Mountain—J. D. Eckles.

Intelligence committee: L. W. Morgan, chairman; George W. Stepp, W. C. Hall, Fred A. Perley.

Food committee: C. W. Buckner, chairman; Guy H. Dobbins, C. C. Lord, George Adams.

Nursing committee: Joseph Kinsey, chairman; Mrs. A. A. Hegeman, Mrs. T. W. Ingle, E. W. Quenn.

Finance committee: C. A. Dickey, chairman; A. A. Hegeman.

Transportation committee: J. A. Lowe.

Fairview—E. O. Merrell.

Intelligence committee: J. E. Shuford, chairman; Dr. C. M. McCracken, Rufus Ashworth, W. D. Stewart.

Food committee: G. L. Clay chairman;; R. L. Pitilla, J. B. Merrell, Thos. Shuford.

Nursing committee: S. J. Ashworth, chairman; G. W. Ledbetter, S. B. Tweed, W. J. Nesbitt.

Finance committee: Wm. R. Lynch, chairman; Ed Williams.

Transpostation committee: James McClure, chairman.

French Broad—Dick Sevier.

Intelligence committee: Curtis Miles chairman; O. L. Rogers.

Food committee: R. S. Morris, chairman; Henry Buckner, Mrs. W. R. Tillery.

Nursing committee: Horace Bridges, chairman; R. E. Rogers, Mrs. J. B. Hunter.

Finance committee: G. H. Blankenship, chairman.

Transportation committee: J. B. Hunter.

Flat Creek—Herbert B. Williams, Stocksville.

Intelligence committee: L. W. Roberts, chairman; T. J. Clinton.

Food committee: H. C. Blackstock, chairman;; Cecil McElroy, T. J. Cole.

Nursing committee: K. C. Elkins, chairman; Mont Weaver, J. H. Sams, W. T. Carson.

Finance committee: W. J. Beachboard, chairman.

Transportation committee: Charles Chambers, chairman; James McElroy.

Hazel—N. C. Cowan, Asheville.

Intelligence committee: Marvin Weaver, chairman; E. F. Spivy, A. E. Eva, George Harrison.

Food committee: J. T. Reynolds, chairman; C. D. Miller, Lecile Spivy.

Nursing committee: Mrs. J. C. Cowan, chairman; Mrs. Richmond Pearson.

Finance committee: Col. Robt Bingham, chairman.

Transportation committee: John M. James, chairman; Bud Whittemore.

Haw Creek—R. W. Johnson, Asheville, R. 2.

Intelligence committee: D. S. Hildebrand, chairman; J. B. Reese, R. A. Stewart.

Food committee: Frank Reed chairman; Mrs. D. A. Jones, T. D. Scarborough.

Nursing committee: G. M. Whitson, chairman, Joe Crenshaw.

Finance committee: F. A. Sondley, chairman.

Lower Hominy—R. C. Crowell, Candler.

Intelligence committee: — J. W. Rutherford, chairman; T. P. Jones, R. L. Thrash, B. S. Waters.

Food committee: W. E. Fletcher, chairman; H. N. Alexander, Tom Guy, [illegible] land, chairman; Chas. T. Penley.

Finance committee: George Parker, chairman; A. F. Joyner.

Transportation committee: R. J. Gaston, chairman; C. P. Gaston.

Ivy No. 1—T. L. Maney, Barnardsville.

Intelligence committee: John Edwards, chairman; T. S. Dillingham, Bud Shuford, T. D. Maney, S. R. Whittaker.

Food committee: Joe M. Burleson, chairman; T. S. Dillingham, Mrs. J. N. Morgan.

Nursing committee: C. Harris Dillingham, chairman; J. Wesley Burleson, Mrs. S. R. Whittaker, John W. Carson.

Finance committee: Cling Hensley, chairman; J. N. Morgan.

Transportation committee: Lee G. Morgan, chairman; Spurgeon McKinley.

Ivy No. 2—Lee B. Arrowood, Democrat.

Intelligence committee: James Dillingham, chairman; J. P. Emory, T. J. Carter, E. L. Horton.

Food committee: John Maney, chairman; Mrs. J. B. Morgan, Ben Draper.

Nursing committee: R. L. Carter, chairman; J. B. Morgan, Mrs. John Maney.

Finance committee: J. H. Beachboard, chairman; Lee Emory.

Tranaportation committee: J. J. Ammons, chairman.

Liecester No. 1—Grover Roberson, Leicester.

Intelligence committee: Sam Mears chairman; Benj. Smith, Robert Shook, Oscar Duckett, J. S. Mardis.

Food committee: A. W. Rymer, chairman; J. R. Murphy, Mitch Plemmons, Mark Brown, I. A. Cook.

Nursing committee: J. G. Carver, chairman; Dan Israel, Mrs. O. M. Clark, L. D. Felmet, Gay Gillespie.

Finance committee: J. H. Cole, chairman; W. D. Redmond, E. B. Brown, John T. Davis, W. C. Sluder.

Transportation committee: O. M. Clark, chairman; N. E. Brown, D. P. Ford, W. L. Foster, D. W. Reynolds.

Liecester No. 2—B. F. Merrill, Asheville, R. F. D. 4.

Intelligence committee: Dan Shook, chairman; George Cole, G. E. Ingle, [illegible]

Food committee: T. M. Rymer, chairman; T. J. Cook, J. G. Young, Fred Gillespie.

Nursing committee: D. H. Penland, chairman; Luke Young, G. R. West.

Finance committee: Robert Rogers, chairman; E. W. Sluder, Webb Frisby.

Transportation committee: J. R. Cauble, chairman; J. Y. Roberts.

Limestone—H. L. Nettles, Biltmore, R. F. D.

Intelligence committee: C. O. Case, chairman; J. M. Rickman, John Franks.

Food committee: R. C. Clayton, chairman; M. A. Reagan, R. U. Gasperson.

Nursing committee: Grover C. Glenn, chairman; Mrs. T. B. Doe, Miss Rose Chapman, Mrs. Beall.

Finance committee: B. L. Shuford, chairman.

Transportation committee: Mark Garron, chairman; R. D. Pressley.

Reems Creek—C. R. Moore, Weaverville.

Intelligence committee: J. Roy [illegible] chairman; W. T. Teague, R. F. [illegible] ple, L. H. Clark, Fleet Ferguson.

Finance committee: H. J. Dixon, chairman; Carlton Wells, J. M. [illegible]

Transportation committee: [illegible] Waldrop, chairman; J. B. Weaver, [illegible] Lee.

Swannanoa—George Bartlett, Swannanoa.

Intelligence committee: [illegible] rells, chairman; D. W. Harmon, [illegible] Tipton.

Food committee: Chas. [illegible] chairman; [illegible]

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Nursing committee: Miss Mary Kimberly, chairman; Mrs. Robert Greenwood, George Lauerhass, Mrs. Grover Greenwood, H. R. Smith.

Finance committee: R. D. Buckner, chairman; Mrs. Chas. D. Joyner, Mrs. C. F. Rice, Mrs. R. C. Stevens, Mrs. J. E. Swain.

Transportation committee: Robert Greenwood, chairman; W. A. Swain, J. E. Johnson, Mrs. T. M. Kimberly, K. M. Sales.

Finance committee: R. C. Sales, chairman; Ed Stevens.

Transportation committee: Horace Gudger, chairman; T. M. Howerton.

Black Mountain—J. D. Eckles.

Intelligence committee: L. W. Morgan, chairman; George W. Stepp, W. C. Hall, Fred A. Perley.

Food committee: C. W. Buckner, chairman; Guy H. Dobbins, C. C. Lord, George Adams.

Nursing committee: Joseph Kinsey, chairman; Mrs. A. A. Hageman, Mrs. T. W. Ingle, E. W. Queen.

Finance committee: C. A. Dickey, chairman; A. A. Hageman.

Transportation committee: J. A. Lance.

Barnardsville—E. O. Merrell.

Intelligence committee: J. E. Shuford, chairman; Dr. C. M. McCracken, Rufus Ashworth, W. D. Stewart.

Food committee: G. L. Clay chairman;; R. L. Pitilla, J. B. Merrell, Thos. Shuford.

Nursing committee: S. J. Ashworth, chairman; G. W. Ledbetter, S. B. Tweed, W. J. Nesbitt.

Finance committee: Wm. R. Lynch, chairman; Ed Williams.

Transportation committee: James McClure, chairman.

French Broad—Dick Sevier.

Intelligence committee: Curtis Miles chairman; O. L. Rogers.

Food committee: R. S. Morris, chairman; Henry Buckner, Mrs. W. R. Tillery.

Nursing committee: Horace Bridges, chairman; R. E. Rogers, Mrs. J. B. Hunter.

Finance committee: G. H. Blankenship, chairman.

Transportation committee: J. B. Hunter.

Flat Creek—Herbert B. Williams, Stockeville.

Intelligence committee: L. W. Roberts, chairman; T. J. Clinton.

Food committee: H. C. Blackstock, chairman;; Cecil McElroy, T. J. Cole.

Nursing committee: K. C. Elkins, chairman; Mont Weaver, J. H. Sams, W. T. Carson.

Finance committee: W. J. Beachboard, chairman.

Transportation committee: Charles Chambers, chairman; James McElroy.

Hazel—R. C. Cowan, Asheville.

Intelligence committee: Marvin Weaver, chairman; E. F. Spivy, A. E. Eve, George Harrison.

Food committee: J. T. Reynolds, chairman; C. D. Miller, Leslie Spivy.

Nursing committee: Mrs. J. C. Cowan, chairman; Mrs. Richmond, Baldwin.

Finance committee: Col. Robt. Bingham, chairman.

Transportation committee: John M. James, chairman; Bud Whittemore.

Haw Creek—R. W. Johnson, Asheville, R. 1.

Intelligence committee: D. S. Hildebrand, chairman; J. B. Reese, R. A. Stewart.

Food committee: Frank Reed chairman; Mrs. D. A. Jones, T. D. Scarborough.

Nursing committee: G. M. Whitson, chairman, Joe Crenshaw.

Finance committee: F. A. Sondley, chairman.

Transportation committee: J. M. Chiles.

Upper Hominy — A. Z. Wright, Candler.

Intelligence committee: S. J. Joyce, chairman; Kenneth Cathey, C. W. Howell, Everett Warren, R. L. Brooks, Mrs. James Rice, H. A. Miller.

Food committee: Ike B. Robinson, chairman; R. L. Cathey, B. W. Medford, Mrs. J. C. Curtis, Mrs. T. F. Hall, R. L. Israel.

Nursing committee: J. C. Curtis, chairman; Z. T. Cathey, J. C. Bird, Mrs. A. Z. Wright, Mrs. Z. T. Cathey.

Finance committee: W. H. Pearson, chairman; R. W. King, Mrs. A. H. Bryson, O. L. Israel, Mrs. Ed Wright.

Transportation committee: J. C. Rutherford, chairman, W. B. Trull, John Holcomb, B. J. Luther, Riley W. King.

chairman; A. F. Joyner.

Transportation committee: R. J. Gaston, chairman; C. P. Gaston.

Ivy No. 1—T. L. Maney, Barnardsville.

Intelligence committee: John Edwards, chairman; T. S. Dillingham, Bud Shuford, T. D. Maney, S. R. Whittaker.

Food committee: Joe M. Burleson, chairman; T. S. Dillingham, Mrs. J. N. Morgan.

Nursing committee: C. Harris Dillingham, chairman; J. Wesley Burleson, Mrs. S. R. Whittaker, John W. Carson.

Finance committee: Cling Hensley, chairman; J. N. Morgan.

Transportation committee: Lee G. Morgan, chairman; Spurgeon McKinley.

Ivy No. 2—Lee B. Arrowood, Democrat.

Intelligence committee: James Dillingham, chairman; J. P. Emory, T. J. Carter, E. L. Horton.

Food committee: John Maney, chairman; Mrs. J. B. Morgan, Ben Draper.

Nursing committee: R. L. Carter, chairman; J. B. Morgan, Mrs. John Maney.

Finance committee: J. H. Beachboard, chairman; Lee Emory.

Transportation committee: J. J. Ammons, chairman.

Leicester No. 1—Grover Roberson, Leicester.

Intelligence committee: Sam Mears chairman; Benj. Smith, Robert Shook, Oscar Duckett, J. S. Mardis.

Food committee: A. W. Rymer, chairman; J. R. Murphy, Mitch Plemmons, Mark Brown, T. A. Cook.

Nursing committee: J. G. Carver, chairman; Dan Israel, Mrs. O. M. Clark, L. D. Felmet, Gay Gillespie.

Finance committee: J. H. Cole, chairman; W. D. Redmond, E. B. Brown, John T. Davis, W. C. Sluder.

Transportation committee: O. M. Clark, chairman; N. E. Brown, D. P. Ford, W. L. Foster, D. W. Reynolds.

Leicester No. 2—B. F. Merrill, Asheville, R. F. D. 4.

Intelligence committee: Dan Shook, chairman; George Cole, G. H. Ingle, [illegible]

Food committee: T. M. Rymer, chairman; T. J. Cook, J. G. Young, Fred Gillespie.

Nursing committee: D. H. Penland, chairman; Luke Young, G. R. West.

Finance committee: Robert Rogers, chairman; E. W. Sluder, Webb Frisby.

Transportation committee: J. R. Cauble, chairman; J. Y. Roberts.

Limestone—H. L. Nettles, Biltmore, R. F. D.

Intelligence committee: C. O. Case, chairman; J. M. Rickman, John Franks.

Food committee: R. C. Clayton, chairman; M. A. Reagan, R. U. Garrison.

Nursing committee: Grover C. Glenn, chairman; Mrs. T. B. Hoy, Miss Ilise Chapman, Mrs. Beall.

Finance committee: B. L. Shuford, chairman.

Transportation committee: Mark Garren, chairman; R. D. Pressley.

Reems Creek—C. R. Moore, Weaverville.

Intelligence committee: J. Roy Reagan, chairman; Brad Brank, Wm. Reagan, Fabe Morris, L. L. Maney.

Food committee: E. D. Weaver, chairman; C. C. Brown, L. B. Mackey, [illegible]

Nursing committee: Mrs. W. A. Coleman, chairman; Miss Mary Williams, Mrs. C. R. Moore, Fred Garrison, Grover C. Brown.

Finance committee: C. F. Williams, chairman; W. L. Parker, Parrot Roberts, Mrs. E. V. Morrell, Mrs. J. V. Erskine.

Transportation committee: J. V. Erskine, chairman; W. B. Lotspeach, Jake S. Garrison, Wesley Ingle.

Sandy Mush—J. C. Wells, Leicester.

Intelligence committee: C. A. Wells, chairman; M. M. Worley, H. L. Coleman, J. N. Giles.

Food committee: G. T. Anderson, chairman; F. M. McElrath, H. L. Davis, J. Frank Wells.

Nursing committee: Thos. Rogers, Tipton.

Food committee: Chas. [illegible] chairman; [illegible] ander; chairman; W. H. [illegible] George Bartlett.

Finance committee: J. Marion Roberts, chairman.

Transportation committee: [illegible] Coggins, chairman.

# BENJAMIN H. WOLFE PNEUMONIA VICTIM

## SUCCESSFUL NEWSPAPER MAN IS DEAD.

### Coming Here to Prepare Himself to Serve His Country, He Contracts Influenza—Funeral Today.

Benjamin Harrison Wolfe, twenty-six years of age, an Asheville boy who made good in North Carolina newspaper circles, died yesterday morning at 4 o'clock at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Wolfe. He was a victim of pneumonia, that disease attacking him after an illness of several days of influenza had predisposed him to the more serious malady. The funeral will be conducted this afternoon with representatives of the business department of The Citizen and others serving as pallbearers. Only open-air services at the grave will be conducted in compliance with the regulations of the health department.

Soon after his graduation from the Asheville High school, Mr. Wolfe entered the business department of The Citizen where he showed a marked aptitude for this work. He left Asheville about two years ago to enter newspaper work at Winston-Salem and while in that city, he achieved signal success in the business departments of both The Sentinel and The Journal. Except for a few months spent at Charlotte, the entire time that he was absent from this city was devoted to his favorite profession in Winston-Salem.

When the United States entered the war, Mr. Wolfe evinced an early desire to serve in behalf of his country. He was unable to enter the army or navy, however, because of physical disability. Believing that he might be able to prepare himself for duty, he returned here with the idea of overcoming the impairment which had made his enlistment impossible. He had been here but a few weeks when he was stricken with influenza and for the past several days he had been in a critical condition. His illness was borne with a patience that was characteristic of him and with a great determination to overcome his affliction that rendered his failure to conquer the malady all the more tragic.

The deceased was personally popular with wide circles of friends in the cities of his birth and his adoption. He possessed many traits of character that contributed to his popularity. Close friends and business associates do not recall that Ben Wolfe spoke evil of any man. Cheerful and even tempered, friends and acquaintances found him the same at all times. His success was attended by fair dealing and a keen sense of justice. The thought of taking advantage of any one was foreign to his nature.

Surviving are a father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Wolfe; two sisters, Mrs. F. W. Gambrill, of Anderson, S. C., and Mrs. R. H. Wheaton, of Asheville; and three brothers, Frank Wolfe, of Louisville; Fred Wolfe, of the United States navy, now at home; and Thomas Wolfe, a student of the University of North Carolina.

The services at Riverside cemetery will be conducted at 3:30 o'clock this afternoon by Dr. R. F. Campbell. The pall bearers will be William O. Roger, Carlin McIntire, Randall Harris, Luther T. Higgason, James Colvin, Roy Swaringen.

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# HOSPITAL IS READY FOR SICK IN CITY

## HIGH SCHOOL BUILDING EQUIPPED WITH FIFTY BEDS

### 218 New Cases Influenza Were Reported Yesterday—More Volunteer Workers Badly Needed.

Asheville's worst day in the matter of new influenza cases, 218 being reported, found the relief committee opening the emergency hospital and last night the first patients were registered in the high school building at the corner of Broadway and Woodfin street.

The hospital was thoroughly cleansed and equipped with fifty beds in three hours after word was received from the war department that beds and blankets would be lent from Azalea hospital. All wards were made ready last night, the hospital staff was selected at a special meeting of the Medical society and the kitchen of the high school domestic science department, under Miss Sue Robbins, is prepared to serve nourishing meals.

The total number of cases of influenza reported since the epidemic started, or since about the first of October, now stands at 2,501. The number of deaths is thirty-nine, though this mortality list includes a large number of people who were here under treatment for diseases that rendered them especially susceptible to the malady which has swept the entire country.

The arrangement of the wards at the new hospital is regarded by physicians as the most sanitary and efficient in the city. Sheets are suspended between each bed so as to prevent cross infection of patients. This plan means this: If a patient in the pneumonia ward has one of the four different kinds of pneumonia, he will not by coughing or sneezing be able to infect the man on the next bed with his variety of the disease.

Moreover, all influenza cases will be separated from pneumonia cases. There are separate wards for men with influenza, and separate wards for the women having these two maladies and also separate wards for the children.

Every room in the old Burroughs home has unusually large windows, and an unusual number of them. Most of the windows extend from floor to ceiling. The location is also ideal for sunshine and the doctors of the city state that a better location could not have been found.

Medical men are unanimous in saying that there will be no danger whatever in using the building for school purposes after the epidemic has run its course. Doctors declare that the germs of influenza are not long lived anyway, and that thorough fumigation will make the place as safe as it ever was.

Mrs. W. F. Wilson is superintendent of the hospital; Miss Sue Robbins, domestic science teacher in the high school, will have charge of the splendidly equipped diet kitchen. The Red Cross committee will have general charge of the institution.

The regular charge for the ward patients will be $1.50 a day; those who are not able to pay this sum will be charged $1 a day, and those unable to pay anything will be treated free by the hospital physicians and will receive the same treatment as other patients. Private wards will be rented at special prices.

The hospital starts out on its mission with a considerable endowment, approximately $2,000 having been given by Asheville people in money besides hundreds of dollars worth of food supplies. Contributions [illegible] included $500 from E. A. [illegible] $250 from the Hans Rees [illegible] collected or donated [illegible] Masons in the city.

The Masons, through Secretary W. [illegible] Cagle are issuing a stirring call [illegible] the members of the fraternity [illegible] for relief work. The kitchen [illegible] Masonic temple is in need of [illegible] cooks and the statement [illegible] reminds men that they can peel potatoes, among other things, and [illegible] distribute food through the city. The Masons have already rendered splendid service and they are going to do more, if the tone of their call is any indication.

The hospital medical staff elected last night at the Medical society meeting to assist Dr. S. Westray Battle and Dr. Carl V. Reynolds is as follows: Drs. L. W. Ellis, specialist for children; Charles H. Cocke, C. W. Brownson, A. L. Benchfield, A. W. Calloway, P. R. Terry. The physicians met at the city hall, in called meeting, exchanged ideas on the course of the epidemic and methods of treatment besides naming the hospital staff.

Senator Lee S. Overman gave his personal attention to the matter of obtaining beds from Azalea for the equipment of the hospital and fifty beds were brought in from Azalea yesterday afternoon. Fred L. Seely had telegraphed Senator Overman as follows:

"Red Cross wants to know if possible to secure permission to borrow seventy-five to one hundred beds and blankets from Azalea hospital for temporary influenza hospital. Having a great many cases but not many deaths. Probably need beds for about three weeks. Glad to say my family well so far. Hope you will be all right but if you are stricken and I can help you, you only have to tell me."

Yesterday Senator Overman replied as follows:

"I called on the surgeon general and he has wired permission to the commanding officer, Azalea hospital, to loan beds and blankets to the Red Cross for temporary influenza hospital [illegible]

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# NIGHT PHARMACY MAY BE OPENED HERE SOON

Following the suggestion made by The Citizen yesterday morning that one drug store be kept open every night in the city during the epidemic, druggists yesterday conferred on the matter and if the necessary clerks can be found for extra duty the plan will be carried out.

Like all other business enterprises, the pharmacies are short of employes, but it is thought that the matter will be arranged so that needed medicines may be obtained at any hour of the night without delay.

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# CAMPUS IS CLOSED DURING EPIDEMIC

## Asheville School Management Desires Temporarily to Lose Its Reputation for Hospitality—No Cases There.

The management of the Asheville school, at Sulphur Springs, desires temporarily to lose its reputation for hospitality. Announcement was made yesterday that with the return of automobile privileges on Sunday, today and during all other days while the influenza epidemic continues, the campus will be closed to the public. No parties of any kind will be permitted within the grounds.

The school property has long been a popular destination for Asheville motor parties as well as those who prefer Dobbin for their afternoon drives. The principals have welcomed all persons who desired to drive through the grounds and they will be welcome again after the danger of influenza has passed. For the present, however, Asheville people and visitors to the city are requested to omit the Asheville school campus from their itineraries while driving.

"We have thus far escaped the epidemic entirely," said Principal Anderson yesterday. "Not a case has developed among our boys and we are extremely anxious to go through the course of the malady without contracting any cases. We are keeping our boys on the campus. They are not being permitted to leave under any consideration and we feel that it is absolutely necessary that no one be allowed to come here. We are sure that the people of Asheville and our other friends will readily appreciate our position and will comply with our request to pay us no visits at this present time."

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# Important Notice to All Telephone Users

Spanish influenza has incapacitated a large part of our operating force, and at the same time has emphasized the necessity for telephone service to meet emergencies.

It is important that the operators, who are still able to work, be called upon to handle only those calls required by war work, sickness, public welfare, or other absolute necessities.

Each telephone user can help relieve the situation by materially reducing his use of the telephone. Your full co-operation is counted upon during this serious situation.

Dr. Charles W. Stiles, of the United States Public Health Service, who is in charge of the influenza situation in this section as a Government representative, makes the following appeal to telephone users:

"Because of epidemic conditions the telephone service becomes especially important for physicians, nurses and patients. The unnecessary use of the telephone by the general public may prevent an urgent call from reaching its proper destination in time to save a human life.

"I wish to appeal to all good citizens to aid in the present emergency by refraining from using the telephone unnecessarily, to the end that the exchanges may be better able to handle necessary calls in spite of their decreased number of operators."

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# WELL CHILDREN WILL BE GIVEN A HOME

MRS. H. G. SWARTZBERG HAS OFFERED OSAGE PLACE.

Commodious Accommodations Have Been Fitted Up for Well Children in Stricken Homes of City.

In order that well children from homes that are stricken with the influenza may be properly cared for during the epidemic, a home has been fitted up for them at No. 1 Merrimon avenue, Osage place, this residence being tendered to the influenza committee of the Red Cross by the owner, Mrs. H. G. Swartzberg. Numbers of people in the city have donated beds and other furniture and the home will be ready Monday to receive those children who are exposed to influenza and pneumonia infection.

Miss Queen Carson, in charge of the Red Cross emergency office in the city hall, pointed out the need for such a place of refuge for the children of the city and placed the matter in the hands of Mrs. Gustav Lichtenfels to secure a location. When Mrs. Swartzberg heard of this need she at once tendered her home to the committee. Physicians and other members of relief committees last night expressed their gratification that the problem of taking care of the children has been solved in this manner.

Osage place is a large home with plenty of sunshine and ventilation. Special attention will be given to the preparation of meals for the young folks in their new home and a plan is on foot to secure kindergarten teachers to instruct them for a few hours each day.

Miss Julia Tennant and Miss Gloria Finley will have charge of the place. Miss Finley, an educator who is spending some time in Asheville in the interest of children's welfare, will be house mother.

Reports have come in to the Red Cross committee showing great need. [illegible] some places the well and the sick are living in one room, this enforced housing plan making it certain that no member of the family could escape infection.

Several instances of the extreme need in which families are found were reported yesterday by volunteer workers. In one house three children were sick, all in one bed on a mattress on the floor without any cover, three children not yet sick were sleeping. In another home the relief workers found that the bed linen had not been changed since the patients were forced to go to bed a week ago. In still another place six were ill and when the volunteers arrived with food they had had no meals for a whole day and the house was unspeakably dirty.

These conditions the emergency hospital and the home for well children will greatly alleviate.

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# TWENTY PATIENTS AT EMERGENCY HOSPITAL

## VOLUNTEERS NEEDED TO AID TRAINED NURSES

### Food Canteen for Colored People Will Be Opened Today—Doctor Advocates Stricter Quarantine.

Reports on the new cases of influenza for Sunday were not available last night, the health department being closed over Sunday. In the few scattered reports obtained from volunteer workers there was nothing to show that the disease had suddenly stopped its spread after the Saturday record of 216.

Early last night twenty patients had been received at the emergency hospital. All day Masons and other volunteers visited sections where families were reported to the Red Cross as suffering for lack of attention and several patients came from these districts. The motor corps, composed of Asheville women, did splendid work yesterday in carrying workers to visit the sick and in transporting food.

More practical nurses and lay workers for nurses' aids are needed at the hospital to help care for the sick. There are only a few trained nurses on duty and help that could be rendered by young girls, in various ways, would greatly relieve the strenuous work at the hospital. The work there is now well organized and the spirit of the nurses was expressed in a statement of one of them last night who was asked if there had been any deaths in the new institution: "No, and there will not be any if human aid and faith in God will save them," she replied.

Today an emergency food canteen will be established for colored people at Catholic Hill school. Principal Lee of the school and other colored people will organize a relief committee to [illegible] A [illegible] colored domestic science teacher will have charge of the kitchen. The Red Cross influenza committee will have general charge of the relief for colored people and will aid the colored citizens in obtaining supplies.

It appeared last night from reports from colored doctors that in proportion to the population the colored people have perhaps had as many cases of influenza and pneumonia as the white population of Asheville. Five colored doctors have been busy since the epidemic started and the number of cases in all is probably more than 400.

An Asheville physician last night strongly advocated a more rigid quarantine against influenza than has yet been put in force here. He declared that many people who are infected with the disease are on the streets and ride in street cars who ought to be at home in bed and absolutely separated from other members of their families. Room quarantine, at least, should be enforced, said this physician. Otherwise he predicted that the epidemic would continue until everybody in the city has had the disease. This doctor stated that influenza germs are not carried around on the clothing of those who come in contact with it, but that those who have the malady give off germs in sneezing or coughing, and therefore should be quarantined as soon as they show the first symptoms.

The Red Cross committee last night issued an appeal to the people to ask for service from the food canteens only where such help is necessary. The committee is anxious to serve everybody who is in need of its aid, but the capacity of the emergency stations for food is heavily taxed and no patient or family should ask for help, even for pay, when it is possible to get along without it. The neediest cases should have first consideration, says the committee.

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# ANNEX OPENED FOR COLORED PATIENTS

## Thirty-Five Patients Received at Emergency Hospital—Figures Show Decrease in Spread.

For the treatment of colored patients suffering with influenza or pneumonia, the Red Cross committee yesterday afternoon decided to accept the offer of the Masons for use of the Masonic temple, and today two wards will be equipped for this purpose. These wards will be conducted as an annex of the main emergency hospital, according to regulations set forth in a statement, given below, from Chairman Thomas W. Raoul, of the influenza committee.

One hundred and twenty new cases were reported yesterday; on Sunday 137 new cases developed. Compared with the high figures of Saturday, 218, these reports encouraged many doctors last night to think that the epidemic will not reach the proportions in Asheville that it has elsewhere. One physician said that all the new cases he had seen or heard of were mild; another declared that where patients go to bed at the first symptom pneumonia is almost certain not to develop. All doctors continue to urge the people to separate sick from well as a practically sure means of checking the spread of the disease. The total of cases up to date in Asheville is 2,705.

Early last night thirty-five patients had been received at the emergency hospital and Dr. Carl V. Reynolds predicted that it will be filled by this evening. The annex for colored patients will accommodate fifteen or more.

Mr. Raoul announces the following plan of operation for the annex:

"This annex will be located in the front part of the Masonic temple, on the second and third floors, being entered from the Broadway side.

"This annex will be operated by the influenza committee of the Red Cross and with the following management:

"Dr. S. Westray Battle, representing the Red Cross, and Dr. Carl V. Reynolds, representing the city of Asheville, will be the chiefs of staff. Dr. J. W. Walker will be the director of the annex and will assume the responsibility of securing nurses and necessary employes, who will be paid by the influenza committee. Dr. Walker will associate the other colored doctors of the city with him as a staff.

"Mrs. E. R. Wilson, superintendent of the emergency hospital, with headquarters in the main building, will also be superintendent of the annex and the nurses of the annex will be under her direction.

"All supplies will be issued and purchases made through Mrs. Wilson and received by the annex from the main building.

"The diet kitchen of the annex will be operated from the main kitchen in the Masonic temple and under the direction of Mrs. Rachel Hanaman and the nurses of the annex will also be fed under the direction of Mrs. Hanaman in the temple.

"The main doors communicating between the hospital section and the kitchen section will be kept locked at all times, unless it is found necessary for the head nurse of this annex to have a key and secure the patients' food by communicating directly with the emergency kitchen.

"The charge for patients able to pay will be $1.50 per day, but necessary charity cases will be accepted free.

"Patients will be admitted only on doctors' certificates."

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# CITY SCHOOLS MAY OPEN ON SATURDAYS

## IS THOUGHT NECESSARY TO MAKE UP TIME LOST.

### Students Face Curtailed Christmas Vacation and Prospect of Attending School Six Days a Week.

With influenza cases each day showing a decrease in number, the school authorities of Asheville are hoping that the city schools can be opened after another two weeks. The matter has not, however, been definitely decided and the date for taking up again the interrupted work will depend on the course of the epidemic in the next few days.

The schools have now been closed about three weeks and when the doors are again opened the students face the unwelcome task of making up as much as possible of the lost time. While no definite statement of policy has yet been made by Superintendent Howell and the city commissioners, it is probable that students and teachers in Asheville will meet each other in the class room on Saturdays in addition to the regular school days. It is also a probability that the Christmas vacation this year will be only one week instead of the customary fortnight.

Students who have been calculating that they had escaped several weeks of school work for good and all will be disappointed, no doubt, over the suggested plans for getting in full time. Most of the pupils, however, appear to be so interested in their scholastic work that they are facing the prospect of extra school days with good grace. The older pupils seem to understand that the doubling up is a necessary consequence of the influenza epidemic, and are not murmuring.

[redacted] system say that since it is desirable that the lost time be made up, it is far better to teach on Saturdays than to extend the spring term far into the summer. Supposing that five weeks are to be lost from school on account of the epidemic, the teachers propose to gain back about four weeks and a half of that time by teaching Saturdays until, say, the end of June. But no definite schedule of the extra work has as yet been announced.

In the county schools the problem of making up lost time is more complicated than in the city. In most homes students of both sexes are counted upon for aid in farming and household work of various kinds on Saturday. And it would, it is felt, be a considerable hardship on the families in the rural districts to deprieve them of this assistance from the children. Consequently, while the idea has been talked over by some of the county instructors and County Superintendent Hipps, it does not appear likely now that the plan will be generally adopted in the rural districts. In certain school districts the project may be tried out to see how the patrons and children adjust themselves to it.

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# SCHOOLS FIGHTING "FLU" SUCCESSFULLY

## STUDENTS ARE GIVING THEIR HEARTY CO-OPERATION.

### Many Innovations in School Routine Contribute to Splendid Health of the Young People.

That Asheville educators are alive to the value of preventive measures is indicated by the splendid success which has attended the efforts of the local boarding schools to keep their charges free from influenza. In none of the local institutions has the situation become alarming, a few scattered cases constituting the reports of the affected schools. In others, the officials have been able to report absolute freedom from the malady. Letters of inquiry from distant parents have been answered by messages which have truthfully reported that conditions in the boarding schools of this city are most encouraging.

Instructors were among the first to realize the necessity of preventive measures and school physicians proved valuable when local signs of the epidemic appeared, being able to give the dormitory managers excellent advice looking to its control. Practically all of the schools have been quarantined by their officials and many innovations in the routine of school duties have been instituted. One school has ordered that the retiring bell be rung an hour earlier each evening and an hour later each morning. It believes that extended rest will do much to build up the vitality of its students, thereby aiding greatly in their immunization.

At another, advice to the young people to sleep with their rooms well ventilated has been changed to an order that all windows be opened wide at all times. Additional recesses have been added, the students being required to spend twice as much time on the campus during the days as has been spent heretofore. Permission to spend recess hours indoors for studying has been withdrawn at this institution.

Immediately following the development of a case, the patient, of course, is removed to the infirmary, thus eliminating all danger of infection. Constant medical attention is given the members of the various student bodies and they are being well cared for in every respect. The officers of the various schools are greatly pleased with their success thus far which has been rendered possible at each school by the loyal and hearty co-operation of the students.

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# PLANS FOR COLORED FAIR ARE ABANDONED

## Precautionary Measures Make It Impracticable to Prepare for Exhibition Here.

Hopes of the promoters of the colored educational fair, held annually in Asheville with a view to arousing interest in education among the colored residents of Buncombe and surrounding counties, to conduct the exhibit at the close of the influenza epidemic, have been abandoned. Principal John H. Michael, of the Hill Street school, who has been in charge of arrangements for former fairs and who originated the idea of conducting the yearly exhibitions here, said yesterday that no effort will be made to conduct the 1918 meeting.

Promoters had begun to make plans for the fair when the authorities wisely ordered that precautionary measures be put into effect for the protection of this and surrounding cities. They had hoped that the epidemic would be of such short duration that only a postponement would be necessary. However, it is regarded now as impracticable to plan for a delayed exhibition. Consequently no fair will be held this year. It is hoped that next year's event can be conducted along the most extensive lines yet attempted.

The colored schools, like the white schools, will have so much time to make up that has been lost through closed institutions that it will be impossible for them to devote the time to the fair that would be required to assure its success, Principal Michael said. And none of the promoters is willing to attempt an exhibition whose standards would be lower than those of former years, maintained only through whole-hearted attention and uninterrupted efforts on the part of the workers.

The colored fairs have been unique in that they have been devoted entirely to the cause of education among the negroes. They have had the endorsement of state educational authorities who have been represented at former fairs, as well as that of county and city superintendents of education here. Members of both races have shown wide interest in the displays from school rooms and work shops showing the progress that is being made in the training of youthful negroes.

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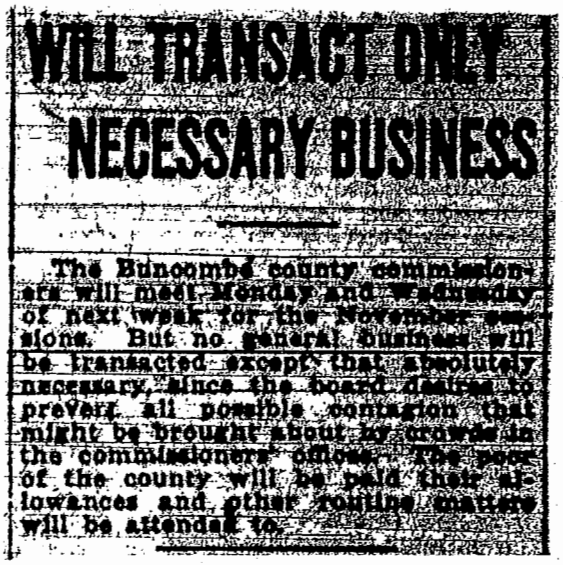

# WILL TRANSACT ONLY NECESSARY BUSINESS

The Buncombe county commissioners will meet Monday and Wednesday of next week for the November sessions. But no general business will be transacted except that absolutely necessary, since the board desires to prevent all possible contagion that might be brought about by crowds in the commissioners' offices. The poor of the county will be paid their allowances and other routine matters will be attended to.

**Asheville Citizen November 2, 1918**

# NEW INFLUENZA CASES SHOW BIG DECREASE

## Nineteen New Cases and Thirty Old Ones Reported—Stores Closed Tonight As Usual.

There are now from sixty-five to seventy patients in the emergency hospital and the annex for colored people, seventeen of these being reported last night in the annex. The hospital has discharged fifty-three as cured and ten have been discharged from the annex.

Yesterday nineteen new cases of influenza were reported and thirty old ones. The health authorities believe that if Asheville people are willing to continue to exercise the necessary precautions there will not be a renewed outbreak of the epidemic in this city.

Stores will close again this evening under the same rules in force for the past three weeks and there will be no church service on Sunday. There has been no date set for the re-opening of schools in city or county

**Asheville Citizen November 2, 1918**

# INFLUENZA CASES SLIGTHLY INCREASE

## Forty-One New Cases Reported in City Yesterday—County Improves Except in Sandy Mush.

After showing a decided decrease for several days, influenza climbed up yesterday to forty-one cases for the previous twenty-four hours. The physicians reporting stated that most of these cases were found in homes where the disease had already appeared, and the increased showing was not regarded as a renewed spread of the disease. When the report was closed at 1 o'clock yesterday afternoon no deaths had been reported to the department in the past forty-eight hours.

Last week there was an average of sixty-eight new cases per day.

At the emergency kitchen it was reported that the number of families served with meals is far less now than a week ago, only about twenty-six were served Sunday.

In the rural districts, reports made to County Director J. W. Haynes showed improvement everywhere except in Sandy Mush. There have been 116 cases in the county districts and thirty-six deaths. For Friday and Saturday seventy-seven new cases and five deaths were reported; Sunday and Monday there were seventy new cases and three deaths.

City and county health authorities urge the people not to relax precautions and to avoid carelessness.

Asheville Citizen November 5, 1918

# 20 NEW CASES OF INFLUENZA REPORTED

## No Date Fixed Yet for Re-Opening of City Schools—Epidemic Is Abating.

Twenty new cases of influenza and eleven not previously reported were recorded by the health department yesterday, seventeen doctors making reports. Two deaths were reported, bringing the total number of deaths to 169. There have been 1,113 cases reported since the epidemic began.

There are now twenty-five patients at the emergency hospital in the high school building and nine colored patients in the Masonic temple annex. The Red Cross influenza committee announces that no more patients will be received at these emergency stations, since the city hospitals are now in position to care for all cases expected to develop.

No date has as yet been set for the re-opening of the city schools, and the health department will probably fix no time, it is stated, until they are able to feel assured that there is no danger of further spread of the disease. The question of making up lost time in the schools is also yet to be settled. Saturday sessions have been discussed only tentatively and also the proposal to hold school for two or three weeks after the regular closing date arrives.

Asheville Citizen November 9, 1918

# EMERGENCY HOSPITALS TO CLOSE ON MONDAY

## CITY HOSPITALS WILL CARE FOR ALL PATIENTS

### Abatement of Epidemic Makes It Possible to Close Emergency Wards. Twenty New Cases Yesterday.

Twenty new influenza cases and six not previously reported were announced yesterday afternoon by the health department for the last twenty-four hour period. The total number of cases up to that hour were 3,761 with 109 deaths.

Department officials stated last night that they had been considerably besieged in the past week by those who wish to see the churches, schools and motion picture houses opened again and business allowed to proceed as usual. The Red Cross influenza committee through some of its members asks the people to be patient and leave the management of the epidemic in its closing stages to those who by reason of expert knowledge are qualified to do what is best for the entire community.

With less than thirty cases in the two emergency hospitals the influenza committee announced that these hospitals will probably close Monday morning and those patients unable to go home will be transferred to the city hospital by Monday at noon.

The Red Cross committee last night issued the following statement:

"It is the expectation of the influenza relief committee of the Red Cross to close the emergency hospital on Monday morning, November 11.

"To accomplish this end, instructions have been issued to receive no more patients at the emergency hospital, and under agreement with the three hospitals addressed above, we will distribute the applicants for admission to the emergency hospital to these three hospitals in the following [illegible] white men and women influenza cases not in excess of four men and four women.

"Mission Hospital—To receive all colored patients and all pneumonia cases, both men and women.

"Biltmore Hospital—To receive all children not exceeding six in number unless by special arrangement.

"Patients will be admitted to the various hospitals as follows:

"Dr. Battle, representing the Red Cross, will admitted to all hospitals as above stated.

"In addition to admission by Dr. Battle, the following doctors will have the exclusive authority of admitting Red Cross patients: Meriwether hospital, Dr. Glenn; Mission hospital, Dr. Reynolds; Biltmore hospital, Dr. Miles.

"The influenza committee of the Red Cross will be responsible for each bed occupied under the above conditions, provided the account cannot be collected by the hospital. But the hospital will proceed to collect the account in the usual way, unless it is clearly a charity case, but, if the collection is not made, then the Red Cross committee will pay the account.

"The above arrangement will hold good until November 14, and this committee will not be responsible for any admissions after that date.

"Each hospital must notify this committee within twenty-four hours after the admission of a patient that does not qualify patient for which this committee is responsible for, and unless such notification is made the committee will not consider itself responsible as above provided for."

Asheville Citizen November 10, 1918

# INFLUENZA INCREASES AGAIN IN THE CITY

## TOTAL OF SEVEN CASES REPORT-ED YESTERDAY.

### Forty-One New Cases, Nineteen Previously Unreported. Medical Society Endorses Work of Board.

Influenza in Asheville showed some signs of spreading again, according to the reports made yesterday afternoon by doctors to the health department, forty-one new cases and nineteen not previously reported being recorded for the last twenty-four hour period. No deaths were reported.

This report was discouraging to the city health authorities, who had hoped that with the steady decrease in the number of new cases that schools, churches and motion picture houses might be opened next week. No definite announcement in this matter will be made before Friday, it was stated.

At a called meeting of the Buncombe County Medical society last night in the city hall, the influenza situation was discussed in detail. It was pointed out by the health officer, Dr. Carl V. Reynolds, that Asheville has been fortunate in many ways as regards the epidemic since with a population of 20,000, including West Asheville, the number of cases so far is slightly less than 4,000, with 116 deaths to date. This death rate compares most favorably, it was stated, with that in other cities where the number of cases among the civilian population has reached forty to fifty per cent and the death rate, especially from pneumonia, has been as high as thirty-four per cent.

In appreciation of the excellent work of the health officer and the city [illegible]

"Resolved, That the Buncombe County Medical society endorses the action taken by the city commissioners, the board of health and the city physician in the way they have handled and are now handling the present epidemic of influenza and pneumonia."

**Asheville Citizen November 14, 1918**

# EPIDEMIC OUTBREAK CHANGES PLANS HERE

## PHYSICIANS SAY INFLUENZA DANGER THREATENS AGAIN.

### Opening Date Is Postponed—Dr. McCormick Shows Curve Showing Course of the Disease.

Reports on influenza for the past two days, forty-one new cases Wednesday and fifty-six Thursday, caused the city health authorities yesterday to oppose any plan for lifting the lid in Asheville. As a result the stores will be instructed to observe the same Saturday night closing in force for several weeks past and there will be no church services on Sunday.

The Buncombe County Medical society yesterday went over the situation with the city health officer, Dr. Carl V. Reynolds, and in a resolution presented by Dr. C. R. Ambler it was stated that it was the sense of the society that all places be kept closed until, in the opinion of the health officer, they can with safety be opened. This resolution was presented to the city commissioners at their meeting yesterday afternoon.

As Dr. Ambler expressed it, the city is now at a critical point of the epidemic. "Asheville is sitting on the lid of a cauldron," said Dr. Ambler. The committee appearing before the city board called attention to the fact that there have been so far less than 4,000 cases in Asheville, or exactly 3,926, with 117 deaths. From the experience of other cities the physicians feel that unless precautions are continued about 5,000 more people may be expected to have the disease here, as the rate in other cities has been about thirty per cent of the population, with at least two per cent of deaths. The Medical society desires that Asheville may escape with what she had so far, a rather light epidemic.

Dr. [illegible] ... course of the epidemic here which is an interesting summary of the malady from the standpoint of mathematics. Starting about October 1 the epidemic reached the peak October 18 with 215 cases. According to the law of curves, as applied to influenza epidemics, say Dr. McCormick, it was to be expected that the curve would fall after that date and approach zero about November 8 or 10. And the line fell steadily, with an occasional upward spurt, but gradually downward until Monday, when the city gave itself up to peace celebrations and meetings of various kinds. Forty-eight hours after the peace crowds had scattered the line started upward again, from seventeen on Sunday and Monday to forty-one and fifty-six for Wednesday and Thursday.

The future course of the curve will depend, say Dr. McCormick and the Medical society, on the way Asheville avoids all known ways of spreading the disease.

It had been planned to open the churches on the coming Sunday.

**Asheville Citizen November 15, 1918**

# COURT ADJOURNS ON ACCOUNT OF EPIDEMIC

**Judge McElroy Will Hear Motions. Jury Discharged—Several Small Cases Were Heard Yesterday.**

On advice of the city health officer, Judge P. A. McElroy yesterday at noon discharged the jury in Superior court and adjourned the present term for the trial of criminal cases. The city health authorities feared that with the influenza epidemic showing signs of revival the congregating of persons in the court room might result in the further spread of the disease.

Judge McElroy will remain in the city for a few days to hear motions and transact such other court business as does not require the presence of a jury. The civil term is scheduled to convene in two weeks.

Sullivan Franks, colored chauffeur charged with manslaughter in connection with the death of Charlie [redacted] automobile driven by Franks, plead guilty to manslaughter and was sentenced to two years on the county roads. But on recommendation of the father of the boy and of Solicitor Swain the court ordered that capias issue for the defendant on December 1 if he is still in the county.

Curtis Daniel, charged with trespass of his chickens on a neighbor's property, was found not guilty.

J. C. Kuykendall was convicted of carrying a concealed weapon; prayer for judgment was continued on payment of costs.

James Sutton, a fourteen-year-old boy convicted of larceny, was sent to the Stonewall Jackson Training school.

Sidney Chavis, found guilty of receiving more whiskey than the law allows, and of transporting and retailing, was taxed with the costs.

Eugene Williams was fined the costs for receiving more liquor than allowed in a case charging him with carrying a concealed weapon he was fined $10 and the costs.

**Asheville Citizen November 16, 1918**

# CITY HEALTH OFFICER ASKS FOR PATIENCE

## DR. REYNOLDS SAYS CRISIS IN EPIDEMIC IS HERE.

### Thirty-Six New Cases Reported Yesterday to Health Department. Laws to Be Enforced.

Twenty-one doctors yesterday reported to the health department thirty-six new cases of influenza in the last twenty-four hour period, with one death. This brings the total number of cases in the epidemic to 2,961, with 118 deaths. While yesterday's report is twenty below the number of cases recorded Thursday, it is approximately twice as many as developed last Sunday and Monday.

The Red Cross influenza committee calls attention to the fact that this committee is keeping its organization intact and is still ready to serve those who may be in need. The committee is now located at the Associated charities headquarters on Biltmore avenue, telephone 902.

Dr. Carl V. Reynolds, city health officer, issued a statement last night in which he deprecated the impatience that is being manifested in many quarters against the restrictions imposed by the health department. He appealed for less agitation, for a more whole-hearted observance of the regulations and for a more general willingness to follow the advice of the medical profession in what is a technical question.

"The health department views with the deepest regret the tendency on the part of many people to regard the influenza epidemic as past. Such an attitude cannot but do harm and creates an attitude of mind which is dangerous," said the health officer.

"The people of Asheville have been called upon [illegible] and [illegible] in order that the epidemic might be combatted effectively. As a result of rigorous action at the outset Asheville has been able to pass through the most serious stages with a remarkably small ratio of infection. To imperil by premature lifting of the ban all that we have achieved by such self-denial would be the very height of folly. We are not yet out of danger; we have enough cases to cause us the gravest concern. This particular juncture really demands more vigilance than any other stage of the epidemic for it is within our power to determine now whether conditions will continue to better themselves or whether we will suffer a relapse.

"Asheville should profit by the experiences of other communities that in an excessive zeal to return to normal conditions have brought on a new outbreak of the influenza. Last week Greensboro, in conformity with the request of many citizens but in disregard of the advice of its health officer lifted the restrictions. A perceptible increase in influenza resulted and the board of commissioners was forced to impose again the restrictions with a consequent dislocation of business and social life.

"The medical profession of Buncombe county, speaking through the Buncombe County Medical society at a recent meeting, has taken the stand that present conditions do not yet warrant the opening of the schools, churches and public gatherings.

"The attention of the health department has been directed to the fact that some functions are being given in direct violation of its orders. It is very distasteful to the health officer to resort to force in compelling compliance with the restrictions. In only a few [illegible] instances have arrests [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

# CHURCHES TO OPEN ONE HOUR SUNDAY

## MAY LIFT BAN NEXT WEEK ON SCHOOLS

### Only Thirteen New Cases Reported in Asheville Yesterday—People Are Warned Against Carelessness

Asheville churches, after being closed since October 4, will open Sunday for one hour's service, probably the usual 11 o'clock program. The city health officer, Dr. Carl V. Reynolds, made this announcement yesterday subject to conditions which might develop in the meantime in the influenza situation. The health officer stated that if no bad results follow the Sunday church opening, the schools and motion picture houses will be allowed to resume operations in a few days.

Yesterday's report on new influenza cases in the city, only thirteen, with no deaths, led the health officials to believe that conditions warrant the first steps toward reopening. The Saturday night closing order has not been changed and it was stated last night that the merchants will again be asked to suspend business at 6 o'clock.

The health officer made the following statement:

"We are today in the same position as we were the day before the peace celebration on November 11, and we feel that by next Sunday the number of new cases reported daily will be materially reduced and unless we have some unforeseen flare-up between now and then churches will be permitted to open for one service Sunday morning. This service should be held around the noon hour and should not last but one hour. As this is an experiment to see if it is [illegible] the Sunday schools to meet Sunday or any service during the afternoon or evening.

"The people in general are requested to refrain from going to church if one is suffering from a cold or cough. Should a person suffering [illegible] service Sunday in violation of the request, then the church authorities should kindly request such person to leave the building. Any person having a cough or sneezing spell, and not having had the disease themselves, are hereby notified [illegible] requested not to attend Sunday services. Persons who have recently recovered from influenza should not attend these services for they may possibly be carriers of the germs. It is felt that the people will realize that the health department is doing everything possible to restore normal conditions in the city, and only by the fullest co-operation can this be accomplished. If there are no serious results from the opening of churches on Sunday, then the schools and theatres will be allowed to open in a short time.

Asheville Citizen November 22, 1918

# TIME LOST IN SCHOOLS WILL BE MADE UP, SAYS CITY BOARD

## Plan Calls for Teaching on Seven Saturdays, Only One Week for Christmas and Elimination of Semi-Annual Examination Periods.

Although the Buncombe County Medical society had adopted resolutions opposing making up any time lost in the city schools on account of the influenza epidemic, the city commissioners yesterday afternoon adopted a plan to make up time mainly by teaching on a number of Saturdays and reducing the Christmas holidays to one week. City School Superintendent Harry Howell submitted the program after consultation with the principals of the city schools and at the board session yesterday afternoon M. K. Weber, of the High school; W. J. Barton, of Orange school; Mrs. Fennel, of West Asheville school; Mrs. Pickens of Asheland avenue; and Mrs. Munroe, of Murray school, approved the proposal and stated that a majority of the teachers would be in favor of making good the time lost.

Mr. Howell's plan calls for school sessions on seven Saturdays between the reopening of the schools, which will probably be on next Wednesday and February 15, when the Saturday teaching will be dispensed with. Mrs. Fennel suggested yesterday afternoon that such school work as drawing, nature study and similar activities be omitted from the Saturday program. This plan will make it possible to adjourn for the day about 1 o'clock. Beginning the week of December 2 and on each fourth week after that time until the middle of February the schools will be in session only five days, Mr. Howell explained, thus allowing teachers and students somewhat relaxation from the unusual regime.

The two examination weeks which have always followed the close of each semi-annual term will be eliminated, thus adding two weeks to the teaching [illegible] the schools will close on June [illegible] the school calendar [illegible] which will leave [illegible] explained below in Mr. Howell's statement.

### Disagree With Doctors

The commissioners and the school principals present did not take much stock in the argument advanced by Asheville physicians that extra school days will be harmful to the youth of the city. Mayor Rankin asked Mrs. Fennel if she had ever known any cases of injury to pupils from over study and the West Asheville principal replied that she had not. The board and the teachers appeared to agree to a suggestion made that this idea of overwork is a medical delusion.

The three ladies present at the meeting stated that a number of teachers had opposed making up time by teaching on Saturdays, on the ground that it gather only day for sewing, dressmaking and numerous other little tasks which a teacher on account of salary must do for herself. It was also stated that many patrons had opposed the proposition, saying that the children's services were needed at home on Saturdays. The principals and the commissioners were of the opinion that the shortening of the Saturday teaching day and the five day week every fourth week would obviate [illegible] of the plan.

[illegible] Wednesday after being closed [illegible] Thursday, Thanksgiving will hereafter be a holiday. Two days holiday will be given at Easter.

Mr. Howell's plan was submitted by him as follows, having been prepared on the supposition that schools would open last Monday:

"Pursuant to your recent instructions I have consulted with the school principals and [illegible] to submit for your consideration the following program for making good the time lost by the schools during the influenza epidemic.

"The figured school session is [illegible] and one-half months or ninety days for [illegible]. In addition there are two unusual credits which we desire to request.

"Before the enactment of the local compulsory school attendance law the practice was inaugurated of stimulating the children's attendance by granting a half holiday on the last day of each school month for good attendance on the part of the respective classes. The practice was so successful that it has persisted during the intervening years and is still regarded by many of our best teachers as a potent factor in our good attendance record. We should like to ask the children to forego that privilege in return for a credit of five days on the required school session.

"It is our opinion to devote practically one school week of five days at the close of each semi-annual term to final examinations. We would this year be willing to eliminate such final term examinations; and we would ask that the ten days thus to be saved be credited on the annual requirement.

"Granting that these two credits, totalling fifteen days, will be allowed there would then remain 146 days in which the schools must be in session. I desire to submit the following program for covering them. You will observe: (1) That I have retained a one-day holiday at Thanksgiving as being peculiarly appropriate at this particular time. (2) that the Christmas vacation is confined to the one week beginning December 23; (3) that I have retained also the Easter holiday of two days, the reason being that we have found them especially valuable coming in the spring after the long winter. (4) that the session ends on the day originally set, June 6. [illegible] extra days [illegible] the summer [illegible] the schools and continue through February 15, which under this plan would be the 1st Saturday on which the schools would be in session. (5) that in the week of December 23 and in each fourth week thereafter as long as Saturday teaching is in vogue the schools would be in session only five days in the week, the reasons being that thereby both pupils and teachers would have some relaxation from the unusual regime and that the teachers would have a Saturday for making up their monthly records and reports.

"The foregoing plan is predicted upon the opening of the schools on next Monday the 18th. If it should happen that the opening should be postponed beyond that date the additional days thus lost could be made up either by teaching on Saturdays subsequent to February 15 or by extending the session after June 6. I suggest that in such contingency we be permitted to decide which alternative shall be chosen. City would have the expensive fuel [illegible] Saturday sessions. The High school may not profit by vacating the [illegible] five days [illegible] in that of the county's [illegible] holiday for [illegible] attendance for the reason that the students in that school are not granted such holidays. Under the circumstances I am of the opinion that the high school should not dismiss five days but should make them up either by teaching other Saturdays [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

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The [illegible] schools open Wednesday after being closed four days for Thanksgiving. Thursday, Thanksgiving will be observed as a holiday. Two days holiday will be given at Easter.

Mr. Howell's plan was submitted by him as follows having been approved on the supposition that schools would open on next Monday:

"Pursuant to your recent instructions I have consulted with the school principals and the [illegible] to submit for your consideration the following program for making good the time lost by the children during the influenza epidemic.

"The approved school session is nine months or one hundred and seventy-six days, exclusive of twenty days holiday, or 156 days. The schools have actually taught in session twenty-two days. In addition there were three holidays in September (Labor Day, registration day and circus day) which were not required and which should be credited on the annual session. Therefore, twenty-five school days have elapsed leaving 131 days to be accounted for.

"There are two short holiday periods which are annually allowed without being made up and which should be credited on the number of required days. They are Thanksgiving day and Easter each of two days duration. After making that allowance 118 days remain to be accounted for.

"Deducting from this number the twenty days of each school month for good attendance on the part of the respective classes. The practice was so successful that it has persisted during the intervening years and is still regarded by many of our best teachers as a potent factor in our good attendance record. We should like to ask the children to forego that privilege in return for a credit of five days on the required school session.

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"The High school may not prefer to receive the dedicatory days credit in addition to the monthly half-holidays in order to [illegible] for the reason that the students in that school are not granted such holidays. Under the circumstances I am of the opinion that the high school should not [illegible] those five days but should make them up by teaching other Saturdays after January 25 or by extending the session for one week after the [illegible] June 6. [illegible] the other schools [illegible] students will [illegible] that the [illegible] additional days to be made good [illegible] suggest that the [illegible] three [illegible] in the school year.

[illegible] many years it has been the practice to give Monday for the weekly holiday instead of Saturday, because of the fact that so many of the mothers of the pupils do laundry work at their homes and usually need the services of the children on Monday. The principals of the two negro schools are of the opinion that it would be a [illegible] the [illegible] Saturday [illegible] children would suffer. They maintain that the negroes would be better pleased to remain up three more days by extending the session into June. They therefore recommend that the negro schools follow their usual weekly program of five days teaching and be required to extend their session two weeks, closing on Saturday, June 21. Absolutely no [illegible] teachers are [illegible] resident even demand would [illegible] but eight additional [illegible] on them in the [illegible]

**Asheville Citizen November 23, 1918**

# INFLUENZA AGAIN ON INCREASE IN CITY

## THIRTY-TWO NEW CASES REPORTED YESTERDAY

### On Advice of City Health Officer Judge McElroy Postpones Court Term a Week

Influenza in Asheville appeared to start on an ascending curve yesterday when the report for twenty-four hours showed thirty-two new cases. There was only one death. On account of this flare-up, Dr. C. Reynolds telegraphed Judge P. A. McElroy at Marshall, requesting him to postpone the term of superior court scheduled to begin here tomorrow. Judge McElroy adjourned the court until December 9. No statement was made by the health officer in regard to further closing orders in the city.

The health department states that the increase in the number of cases is undoubtedly due to the numerous gatherings and meetings of various kinds that were held the last week. When it was announced that churches, schools and theatres would remain closed the board states that the majority of the people took it for granted that the epidemic danger had passed and relaxed themselves accordingly. The health officials said little new cases but they looked grave.

In the county schools thirty cases a day are being reported and in some districts the quickly to call it be a serious matter. Previous to November 18 there were 1,317 cases and forty-four deaths in the county schools. For the forty-eight hours ending last night Director Haynes received reports on fifty-nine cases and two deaths, making the total cases in the county districts 1,411 with forty-six deaths.

A number of the county schools will reopen tomorrow, but in some county districts the epidemic is so serious that no date has been set for reopening. The county health officials say that owing to gatherings and [illegible] visiting the districts [illegible] communities that had no [illegible] and that the county situation is not at all favorable.

The number of cases in Asheville to date is 4,262.

Asheville Citizen December 1, 1918

# SCHOOLS TO CLOSE IF EPIDEMIC INCREASES

**Department Will Decide Matter After Today's Report. — Twenty-Seven Cases Yesterday.**

Influenza reports made yesterday still gave the health authorities some concern. Twenty-seven cases were recorded, nineteen in Asheville and eight in West Asheville. There were no deaths up to 1 o'clock yesterday afternoon. The total number of influenza cases since the epidemic is now 4,525 with 138 deaths.

A rumor went out yesterday that the city schools would be closed Monday and until after Christmas, but Dr. Carl V. Reynolds, city health officer, stated that no order to that effect had been made. The city physician did say that if the situation shows no improvement today the schools will be closed. And in order to keep in closer touch with the situation the health department will obtain a report today from the doctors of the city.

In several sections of Asheville physicians yesterday found that the epidemic showed signs of breaking out anew. The entire force of the Red Cross pharmacy was reported ill with influenza and it was announced that the store had closed temporarily.

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# West Asheville Newspaper Articles

## Articles from 1919

# TWO MORE SCHOOLS CLOSE FOR THE YEAR

**Influenza Epidemic Becomes so Serious in Hominy Section That School Authorities Close Doors.**

It is announced that Sand Hill and Snow Hill schools have closed for the year, following the example set by the Candler school. The influenza epidemic has become so bad in these sections that it is deemed best by those in authority to postpone trying to have school until next fall at the opening of the regular school sessions.

It has been stated that the influenza was not so serious in these sections last fall when it first appeared in the county and that it seems now that the epidemic is striking the places where it failed last time. The other schools in sections where the influenza was so prevalent last fall are reported as fairly good shape and are almost back to a normal state again.

Asheville Citizen January 13, 1919

# Fifty-Six Buncombe Boys

# Lost Lives During The War

## *Seven Lieutenants in List on the Honor Roll; Thirty-Seven From Asheville and Nineteen in County*

Ash. Times 5/8/19

Fifty-six Buncombe county young men paid the supreme sacrifice during the world war. This was the toll in lives that the city and county paid that the world might be made safe for democracy. Hundreds were wounded, many of whom were incapacitated through wounds or disease.

Of the fifty-five men who perished, thirty-seven were residents of Asheville and nineteen were from the county outside Asheville. Seven lieutenants were included in the death list.

The honor roll, as prepared by members of the memorial committee, contains the following names:

Philetus C. Swann, killed in train wreck at Columbia, S. C., May 10, 1918.

Robert H. Willcox, killed in action.

Charles O. Riddick, died at Fort Thomas, Ky.

Ewart V. Wilson, died of measles in France, April 2, 1918.

Walter Banks, died at Camp Greenleaf, Fort Oglethorpe, October 26, 1918.

John Burgis, died of disease.

Lawrence Peeler, killed in action.

George Kaylor, died at Camp Sevier, November 15, 1917.

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A. A. Davis, killed in action.

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Royal Stokely, died of influenza in France.

Cecil Henry, killed in action.

Robert K. Fair, killed in action, November 11.

Edmond Lansley, died of wounds.

C. McCauley, died of disease, October, 1918.

Aston Jensen, killed in railway accident in France, November 29, 1918.

Harry Hood, chief gunner on the destroyer Jacob Jones, went down with the ship, when struck by a submarine, December 6, 1917.

Samuel A. McMillan, died of disease.

Harry Froelich, of Asheville, killed in action November 11.

Will Britt, died of pneumonia in France on February 3, 1919.

John Sloan, colored, 17 W. Chestnut street, died of disease in France.

Joe Buxton Downs, died of pneumonia in France, March 8.

Corporal Richard E. Adams, died of disease since November 11.

John Boyden, colored, McDowell street, died of disease.

Robert L. Piercy, died of pneumonia in France, March 8.

Lieutenant Gail Alexander, killed in action.

Lieutenant Lawrence B. Loughran, killed in action, July 28, 1918.

Lieutenant John C. Wilford, killed in aeroplane accident.

Lieutenant David Swain Grant, killed in action.

Lieutenant Kiffen Rockwell, killed in action.

Lieutenant Albert Low, died of pneumonia, Dayton, O., October 28, 1918.

Lieutenant Fagg Malloy, died of pneumonia in France, October 23, 1918.

Alfred Zekiel Davis, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. K. Davis of Grace, died of disease at Camp Jackson, November 26, 1917.

James W. Arrowood, son of G. H. Arrowood of Arden, killed in action on November 10, 1918.

Rotha B. Briggs, son of Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Briggs of Cane Creek, died of pneumonia in France, October 19, 1918.

C. D. Collins, of Biltmore, killed in action.

Herbert William Smith, of Democrat, died of disease at Naval Training Station at Hampton Roads, February 16, 1918.

Henry Williams, of Fairview, who died in France, was the first county man to die in the military service.

Lieutenant John C. Miller, of Fairview, killed in aeroplane battle.

Francis W. Peloubet, of Grace, killed in action.

Thomas Monday, of Brankton, killed in action.

Ernest Dillingham, of Dillingham, killed in action.

Louis Camp, died in camp.

Wilkie Cordell, of Haw Creek, died at Camp Sevier.

Walter Bryson, of Candler, killed in railroad accident at Columbia.

Miss Annie Shroat, of Biltmore, a trained nurse at Camp Jackson, died from influenza.

Sergeant Jesse C. Morgan, R. F. D. 4, Asheville, died in France, February 26, from pneumonia.

Robert Hardy Powers perished when the U. S. S. Cyclops was sunk by submarine on June 14, 1918.

Herbert William Smith, of Democrat, died of spinal meningitis, Hampton Roads, Va., February 16, 1918.

Zebulon Ingle, of Alexander, killed in action.

George Frady, who lived in the Skyland district, a member of the 113th field artillery, battery B, was killed in France on October 4, during the Argonne fighting.

# *Boys Who Made Supreme Sacrifice*

During the great war 37 Asheville and 18 Buncombe county boys outside the city of Asheville made the supreme sacrifice, either meeting death on the battlefield or from disease while in the service. These are not to be forgotten on this great day of celebration.

The city boys are as follows:

The City Heroes.

Lieut. Gail Alexander, killed in action.
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# NEW STREET LIGHTING CONTRACT SIGNED BY CITY BOARD YESTERDAY

## Great Saving to City and Best Contract City Ever Made.

## Will Mean Improvement Over Present System.

## Entirely New System for West Asheville.

A new contract for street lighting in Asheville which will mean a large saving to the citizens and an entirely new system for West Asheville was made yesterday by the city commissioners with the Asheville Power and Light company, this contract taking the place of the old contract which expired on May 1. The street lighting system of Asheville costs about $18,000 and despite the fact that everything is higher than ever before, the commissioners were able to make the new contract in one instance at the same figures and in others at lower figures.

The new contract calls for tungsten lights of 100 watt at $22.50 for each light per year; tungsten lights of 250 watt at $30 per year per light and the magnetite arc lights at the old price of $55 per year per light. The old contract called for only tungsten lights of 40 watt at $20 per light per year and the magnetite arc at $55. The new contract is considered the best Asheville has ever had and provides for an elastic system, which can be easily improved throughout each year.

The contract also provides that each 100 additional tungstens put in will be sold at a decrease of $1 per light and each additional arc light at a decrease of $2.50 per light. A better reflector is provided in the new contracts and the company agreed to a period of three months in which the lighting system could be changed by placing arc or tungsten lights at places different from the present locations. The old contract provided that once an arc light was installed it could not be changed and the city did not have the right to relocate or eliminate a light. The company reserves the right, however, not to expend over $2,500 for this purpose.

Under the new contract if a light is out for an hour or any period the city receives about double the amount it would have to pay if the light burns whereas, the old contract provided that only an equal amount would be paid the city.

In West Asheville an entirely new system will be put in and the larger tungsten lights will replace the smaller lights now in use there. In all about 40 or 50 new lights will be installed there and a new circuit put in. The old contract was made with the city commissioners before West Asheville was annexed to Greater Asheville and therefore the contract could not be changed for that section of the city.

The members of the old board have explained this new contract to the commissioners-elect and they will see to the installation of the new lights in the city and the work in West Asheville, provided it is not under way by the time the old commissioners go out of office next Monday.

# CITY GIVES $1,200 FOR BAND STANDS

## ONE ON SQUARE AND TWO OTHERS IN ALL

### Band Arrived Yesterday—First Concert, Free to All Will Be Given at Auditorium Sunday Afternoon.

Acting promptly on the request of M. A. Erskine and Frank E. Johnson, of the band committee of the Board of Trade, the city commissioners yesterday appropriated $1,200 to the committee for the erection of a band stand on Pack Square, one in West Asheville and for one other place to be selected and the stand on the square will be started Monday and rushed to completion so that Berry's concert band can play there next week. The members of the band, 20 strong arrived here yesterday and the first appearance will be Sunday afternoon at the City Auditorium from 5 to 7 o'clock, when a free concert to all the people will be given. At this concert there will be no speech making and reception, but only the complete two-hour program of this famous aggregation of players.

When the band stand on Pack Square is completed, it will be octagon shaped and 20 feet square the band will give a daily concert every evening the weather permits from 7 to 9 o'clock. When the weather interferes the concerts will be given in the Auditorium. According to the contract the band has signed they are to give four hours of music each day and it is the plan of the local committee to have the band play in West Asheville once a week and at intervals at the other band stand to be erected.

Mr. Erskine stated that a public spirited citizen may donate funds for a stand in the place which is contemplated which will cost $8,000 to $10,000 and if this is done it will be made an artistic stand. The stand on the square will be a permanent affair and will be used every year by the band the city brings here to play. This band will remain three months and came here directly from Jacksonville, where they have been playing all the winter.

Mr. Erskine stated that the county commissioners turned down the proposition presented to them to contribute to the erection of this stand and others.

The city commissioners also granted the band committee permission to rope off the north and south sides of Pack square each evening when there is a concert so that traffic coming up Biltmore avenue or Broadway will have to go straight on through or turn down Patton avenue and on the east side have to go up or down Market street. Automobiles will be allowed to park on the south and north sides of the square if they park before 7 o'clock. After that hour no machine will be allowed to enter or leave.

Assurance is given that a varied program will be by the band each evening so that people of all tastes can enjoy the music. Next week the committee will turn the band over to the ladies on the local committee to the General Federation of Woman's clubs for three concerts.

The personnel of the band includes the following musicians: J. Warren Berry, conductor, past three winter seasons at Hemming park, Jacksonville, Fla.; V. A. Carino, solo cornet, late of Creatore's band; Lloyd Massey, assistant solo cornet, late of Kittie's band; E. C. Erisman, first cornet Rissinger orchestra, Indianapolis; George E. Frick, solo clarinet, U. S. band, Honolulu, Hawaii; D. E. Staley, assistant solo clarinet, Allentown band; Robert Kramer, first clarinet, fourth regiment, Illinois band; Joe Treyison, oloe, Gay's Boston band; C. J. Doe, flute piccolo, Palm Beach orchestra; Robert Kehm, French horn, Toronto symphony orchestra; U. Rosso, French horn, Philippine band; Armand Marzt, luphonium soloist, late of Pryor's band; H. W. Lewis, baritone, Allentown band; C. M. Fremstead, tuba, U. S. cavalry band; W. E. Atkinson, trombone, Conway's band; H. E. Boss, trombone, Bowen R. Church band; D. U. Clark, small drum, Tympani-Windsor hotel orchestra; A. D. Worland, bass drum, Gay, Boston band.

# ASHEVILLE'S CAR FARES INCREASED FROM 5 TO 6 CENTS

## October 1 Is Date Set for Increase by the Corporation Commission

## NO SURPRISE OVER ORDER IS EXPRESSED

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## Mayor Roberts Is Withholding Comment on Decision at Raleigh

RALEIGH, Sept. 26.—In granting the petition of the Asheville Power and Light company to increase the street car fares in Asheville from five to six cents, the corporation commission today says:

"The commission is not provided with disinterested engineering assistance for determining in the most satisfactory way, the doubtful engineering questions presented. It cannot, however, shut itself in from general information of the precarious character of the street railway investments; that sixteen per cent of the street railway mileage has either been abandoned or is operated by bankrupt companies, and that the purchasing power of the nickel has been deserted by about all its former friends except mint tablets, chicklets and chewing gum. If earnings above amount allowed for depreciation, be not excessive, and if amount allowed for depreciation be properly protected for return to the service of the street railway patrons without addition to capitalization, little injury can result, and if experience demonstrates there is any, it can be moved."

"It is therefore ordered that the Asheville Power and Light company from and after the effective date of this order (October 1, 1919) allocate to its street railway department a proportion of its depreciation fund upon the basis of the relation of gross earnings of its street railway, electric light and power, and gas business for the year 1918; that the sum of $53,199.93 annually be set aside from the earnings of its street railway business and added to this depreciation account and that the interest from so much of said fund, as is not properly expended for replacement of depreciable property be credited to such fund.

"It is further ordered that from and after October 1, 1919 the Asheville Power and Light company be authorized to charge six cents for passengers other than school children, and two and a half cents for school children, for transportation of passengers over its lines in the city of Asheville and suburbs."

The petition was filed on August 1, and the hearing was held on September 5. The decision of the commission and the order, which briefly reviews the figures given at the hearing, was written by Commissioner A. J. Maxwell.

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# COLORED FAIR THIS WEEK OF INTEREST

## TO BE HELD IN PEARSON'S PARK, WEST ASHEVILLE

### Long List of Entries Made for Exhibits.—Large Crowd Is Expected to Attend.

Colored people in Asheville, Buncombe county and in many sections of Western North Carolina, are taking a great deal of interest in the Western North Carolina County fair, which will be held on October 7 to 11, at Pearson's park, in West Asheville.

The list of prizes has been arranged as follows:

### DEPARTMENT A
### CORN-FIELD PRODUCTS

**Corn**

C1M—Best display, 10 ears first, $3.00, second, $1.50; C2M—club members, any variety, with stalk, first $3.00, second $1.50; C3M—Sweepstakes, ten ears, with stalk, first $2.00, second $1.50, third $1.00, fourth, 75 cents; C5M—Weekly improved, first $1.00, second, 50 cents; C13M—Any other yellow corn, first $1.00, second, 50 cents; C14M—One eared corn, first 75 cents, second, 50 cents.

**Peas.**

C31M—Sweepstakes, peck first $1.50 second 75 cents; C18M—New Era, first 50 cents; second, 50 cents; C25M—Black Eye, first, 75 cents; second, 50 cents; C26M—Clay and any other variety, first, 75 cents, second 50 cents.

**Wheat.**

C79M—Best display, peck, first, $150, second, $1.00; C82M—Any other beardless, first, $1.50, second, $1.00; C84M—Sweepstakes, 1st, $1.50, second 75 cents.

**OATS**

C52M—Burt, best peck 1st 75c; 2nd .50; C54M—Red Rustproof, 1st .75; 2nd .50.

**VELVET BEANS**

C74M—100 Day Speckled, first 75 cents; second 50 cents; C77M—Sweepstake Velvet, first $1.50; second 75 cents.

### HORTICULTURAL PRODUCTS
**Department B—Apples**
(Not Less Than Twelve)

C126M—Delicious, first $1.00; second 50 cents; C121M—Winesap, first $1.00; second 50 cents; C123M—Virginia Beauty, first 50 cents; second 25 cents; C124M—Limbertwig, red, first 50 cents, second 25 cents; C125M—

C205M—Collards, best 4 heads, first 75 cents; second 50 cents; C209M—Cucumbers, 5 in number, any variety, first 75 cents; second 50 cents.

**IRISH POTATOES**
(Half Bushel)

C215M—Any early variety, first $150; second, 75 cents; C216M—Any late variety, first $1.50; second 75 cents.

**LIMA BEANS**
(Half Peck)

C225M—Pole Limas, first 75 cents; second 50 cents; C226M—Any variety, first 75 cents; second 50 cents.

**ONIONS**
(Half Peck)

C223M—Potato, first 75 cents, second 50 cents.

**PEPPER**
(Quart Measure)

C242M—Any sweet cayenne, first 50 cents, second 25 cents.

**RUTABAGS**
(Half Bushel)

C244M—Pudple Top, first 75 cents; second, 50 cents. C245M—Any variety, first 75 cents, second 50 cents.

**SQUASH**
(Five in Number)

C244M—Purple Top, first 75 cents; second 50 cents.

**SWEET POTATOES**
(Half Bushel)

C264M—Nancy Hall, first $1.50; second 50 cents; C261M—Any variety, first $1.50; second 50 cents.

**TOMATOES**
(Five to a Plate)

C272M—Any variety, first 75 cents; second 50 cents.

**TURNIPS**
(Half Peck)

C277M—Any variety, first 75 cents; second 50 cents.

**MISCELLANEOUS VEGETABLES**
(Bunches of Six Each)

C279M—Miscellaneous vegetables, first 75 cents; second 50 cents; C278M—Pumpkins, best, largest, first 75 second 50 cents; C289M—Field beans, half peck, first 75 cents, second 50 cents; C293M—Watermelons, four in number, first 75 cents; second 50 cents.

**General Collection of Vegetables**

C297M—Best and most attractive, grown by trucker, first $3.00; second $2.00; third $1.00; C298M—Best and most attractive, grown from city or country garden, first $2.50; second, $1.25; third 75 cents.

### DEPARTMENT C
### HOME ECONOMIC PRODUCTS
**Canned Fruits and Vegetables**
(In Quart Jars)

C301M—Peaches, first 50 cents; second, 25 cents; C302M—Pears, first 50 cents, second 25 cents; C303M—Berries, first 50 cents, second 25 cents; C304M—Cherries, first 50 cents, second 25 cents; C306—Apples, first 50 cents, second 25 cents; C307M—

first 25 cents; C338M—Dewberry, first 25 cents.

**Pantry Supplies**

C339M—Loaf Bread, first 50 cents; C340M—Light Rolls, first 50 cents; C341M—Graham Bread, first 50 cents; C342M—Buttermilk Bread, first 50 cents; C343M—Baking Powder Biscuits, first 50 cents; C344M—Beaten Biscuits, first 50 cents. C345M—Steamed brown bread, first 50 cents; C346M—Corn bread, first 50 cents; C347M—Corn Meal muffins, first 50 cents; C348M—Sponge cake, Ginger bread, first 50 cents; C349M—Loaf cake, first 50 cents; C350M—Layer cake, first 50 cents; C351M—Fruit cake, first 50 cents; C352M—Apple pie, first 50 cents; C354M—School lunch, first $1.00; C358M—Vinegar in Qt. Jars, first 25 cents; C359M—Molasses, Gal. Jugs, first 25 cents.

**Preserves**
(In Quart Jars)

C373M—Peach, first 50 cents; C376M—Pear, first 50 cents; C378M—Strawberry, first 50 cents; C379M—Watermelon rind, first 50 cents.

**Pickles**

C318M—Cucumber, first 50 cents; C384M—Peach, first 50 cents; C385M—Pear, first 50 cents; C388M—Beet first 50 cents; C390M—Chow Chow, first 50 cents.

### DEPARTMENT D
### LIVE STOCK PRODUCTS

C435M—Dairy Butter, 2-lb. lots, first $2.00; second $1.50; third $1.00.

**Ham and Bacon**
(Home Cured and Country)

C438M—Ham, first $2.50; second, $1.50; C439M—Bacon, first $2.50; second $1.50.

**Beef Cattle**

C440M—Best calf, 6 month and under 12, first $5.00; second $3.00; third $2.00.

**Dairy Cattle**

C441M—Dairy calf, 6 months and under 12, first $3.00; second $2.00; third, $1.00; C442M—Family cow, breed and age considered, first $3.00; second $2.00; third $1.00.

**Hogs**

C443M—Sow or Gilt, 8 months and over, first $3.00; second $2.00; third $1.00; C443M—Best pig, breeding and age considered, first $2.00; second $1.00.

**Draft Mules and Horses**

C446M—Mult Colt, 6 months and under 1 year, first $3.00; second $2.00; third, $1.00.

**Poultry**
(In Pen, One Cock and Four Hens)

C448M—Barred Plymouth Rock, cockrel, first $2.00; second $1.00;

C449M—Plymouth Rock, pullet, first $2.00; second $1.00; C450M—Buff Plymouth Rock, cockerel, first $2.00; second $1.00; C451M—Buff Plymouth Rock, pullet, first $2.00; second $1.00; C452M—Rhode Island Reds, cockerel, first $2.00; second $1.00; C353M—Rhode Island Reds, pullet, first $2.00; second $1.00; C457M—White Legion, cockerel, first $2.00; second $1.00; C458M—White Legion, pullet, first $2.00; second $1.00.

### DEPARTMENT E
### SCHOOL PRODUCTS

LP1—Best Drawing, any school, of 10 vagieties, first $5.00; second $3.00; LP2—Single drawing, first $2.00; second $1.00; LP3—County School spelling match, best speller, first $5.00; second $3.00; LP4—Best choir from County or rural district, first $15.00; LP5—School Boy Foot Race, 12 to 18 years, first $5.00; second $3.00.

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### BABY CONTEST

LP6—Boys under 2 years, first $5.00; second $3.00; LP7—Girls under 2 years, all points considered, first $5.00; second $3.00.

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### FANCY WORK

LP8—Fancy Quilts, first $2.00; LP9—Hand bags, hand made aprons, dresses, baby bonnets, fancy coats, first $2.00.

### DEPARTMENT H
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LP10—Money, Books, China, any variety, first $2.00; second $1.00.

### DEPARTMENT I
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**Dairy Cattle, Swine and Poultry**

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Colored people in Asheville, Buncombe county and in many sections of Western North Carolina, are taking a great deal of interest in the Western North Carolina County fair, which will be held on October 7 to 11, at Pearson's park, in West Asheville.

The list of prizes has been arranged as follows:

## DEPARTMENT A
### CORN-FIELD PRODUCTS

**Corn**

C1M—Best display, 10 ears first, $3.00, second, $1.50; C2M—club members, any variety, with stalk, first $3.00, second $1.50; C3M—Sweepstakes, ten ears, with stalk, first $2.00, second $1.50, third $1.00, fourth, 75 cents; C5M—Weekly Improved, first $1.00, second, 50 cents; C13M—Any other yellow corn, first $1.00, second, 50 cents; C14M—One eared corn, first 75 cents, second, 50 cents.

**Peas.**

C31M—Sweepstakes, peck first $1.50 second 75 cents; C18M—New Era, first 50 cents; second, 50 cents; C25M—Black Eye, first, 75 cents; second, 50 cents; C26M—Clay and any other variety, first, 75 cents, second 50 cents.

**Wheat.**

C79M—Best display, peck, first, $150, second, $1.00; C82M—Any other beardless, first, $1.50, second, $1.00; C84M—Sweepstakes, 1st, $1.50, second 75 cents.

**OATS**

C52M—Burt, best peck 1st 75c; 2nd .50; C54M—Red Rustproof, 1st .75; 2nd .50.

**VELVET BEANS**

C74M—100 Day, Speckled, first 75 cents; second 50 cents; C77M—Sweepstake Velvet, first $1.50; second 75 cents.

### HORTICULTURAL PRODUCTS
### Department B—Apples
(Not Less Than Twelve)

C126M—Delicious, first $1.00; second 50 cents; C121M—Winesap, first $1.00; second 50 cents; C123M—Virginia Beauty, first 50 cents; second 25 cents; C124M—Limbertwig, red, first 50 cents, second 25 cents; C125M—Royal Limbertwig, first 50 cents, second 25 cents; C126M—Rome Beauty, 50 cents, second 25 cents; C135M—Any other variety, first 50 cents; second 25 cents.

**PEARS**
(Best Plate of Half Dozen)

C148M—Kieffer, first 75 cents; second 25 cents; C126M—Rome Beauty second 50 cents; C151M—Magnolia, first 50 cents; second 25 cents; C153M—Any other variety, first 50 cents; second 25 cents.

**OTHER FRUITS**
(Best Plate)

C154M—Peaches, Freestone, first 50 cents; second 25 cents; C160M—Plums, first 50 cents; second 25 cents.

**GRAPES**
(Best Plate)

C143M—Bunch Types, first 75 cents; second 50 cents; C145M—James, first 50 cents; second 25 cents.

**DRIED FRUIT**
(Best Display)

(Quart Measure)

C242M—Any sweet cayenne, first 50 cents, second 25 cents.

**RUTABAGS**
(Half Bushel)

C244M—Pudple Top, first 75 cents; second, 50 cents. C245M—Any variety, first 75 cents, second 50 cents.

**SQUASH**
(Five in Number)

C244M—Purple Top, first 75 cents; second 50 cents.

**SWEET POTATOES**
(Half Bushel)

C254M—Nancy Hall, first $1.50; second 50 cents; C261M—Any variety, first $1.50; second 50 cents.

**TOMATOES**
(Five to a Plate)

C272M—Any variety, first 75 cents; second 50 cents.

**TURNIPS**
(Half Peck)

C277M—Any variety, first 75 cents; second 50 cents.

**MISCELLANEOUS VEGETABLES**
(Bunches of Six Each)

C279M—Miscellaneous vegetables, first 75 cents; second 50 cents; C278M—Pumpkins, best, largest, first 75 second 50 cents; C289M—Field beans, half peck, first 75 cents, second 50 cents; C293M—Watermelons, four in number, first 75 cents; second 50 cents.

**General Collection of Vegetables**

C297M—Best and most attractive, grown by trucker, first $3.00; second $2.00; third $1.00; C298M—Best and most attractive, grown from city or country garden, first $2.50; second, $1.25; third 75 cents.

## DEPARTMENT C
### HOME ECONOMIC PRODUCTS
**Canned Fruits and Vegetables**
(In Quart Jars)

C301M—Peaches, first 50 cents; second, 25 cents; C302M—Pears, first 50 cents, second 25 cents; C303M—Berries, first 50 cents, second 25 cents; C304M—Cherries, first 50 cents, second 25 cents; C306—Apples, first 50 cents, second 25 cents; C307M—String Beans, first 50 cents, second 25 cents; C308M—Soup mixture: corn, okra, tomatoes, first 50 cents, second 25 cents; C309M—Tomatoes, first 50 cents, second 25 cents, C310M—Sweet Potatoes, first 50 cents, second 25 cents; C311M—Kraut, first 50 cents, second 25 cents; C312M—Baby Beets, first 50 cents; second 25 cents; C314M—Rhubarb, first 50 cents, second 25 cents.

(To be Shown in Pint Jars)

C315M—Corn, first 50 cents, second 25 cents; C316M—Lima Beans, first 50 cents, second 25 cents; C317M—Field Peas, first 50 cents, second 25 cents; C318M—English Peas, first 50 cents, second 25 cents; C319M—Okra, first 50 cents, second 25 cents.

**Jam**
(Shown in Quart Jars)

C333M—Peach, first 50 cents, second 25 cents; C324M—Plum, first 50 cents, second 25 cents; C315M—Apple, first 50 cents, second 25 cents.

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C373M—Peach, first 50 cents; C376M—Pear, first 50 cents; C378M—Strawberry, first 50 cents; C379M—Watermelon rind, first 50 cents.

**Pickles**

C318M—Cucumber, first 50 cents; C384M—Peach, first 50 cents; C385M—Pear, first 50 cents; C388M—Beet first 50 cents; C390M—Chow Chow, first 50 cents.

## DEPARTMENT D
### LIVE STOCK PRODUCTS

C435M—Dairy Butter, 2-lb. lots, first $2.00; second $1.50; third $1.00.

**Ham and Bacon**
(Home Cured and Country)

C438M—Ham, first $2.50; second, $1.50; C439M—Bacon, first $2.50; second $1.50.

**Beef Cattle**

C440M—Best calf, 6 month and under 12, first $5.00; second $3.00; third $2.00.

**Dairy Cattle**

C441M—Dairy calf, 6 months and under 12, first $3.00; second $2.00; third, $1.00; C442M—Family cow, breed and age considered, first $3.00; second $2.00; third $1.00.

**Hogs**

C443M—Sow or Gilt, 8 months and over, first $3.00; second $2.00; third $1.00; C443M—Best pig, breeding and age considered, first $2.00; second $1.00.

**Draft Mules and Horses**

C446M—Mult Colt, 6 months and under 1 year, first $3.00; second $2.00; third, $1.00.

**Poultry**
(In Pen, One Cock and Four Hens)

C448M—Barred Plymouth Rock, cockrel, first $2.00; second $1.00;

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# CIRCUS DAY HAS ROLLED AROUND

## BARNUM & BAILEY AND RINGLING SHOWS ARRIVE.

### Traveling in Several Trains, the Circus Rolled in Early This Morning.

There will be no "sleepy heads" among the juvenile population this morning. The circus is in town!

Long anticipated, the invasion of the red wagons came true when, along about dawn, the show trains began arriving in the yards of the Southern railway.

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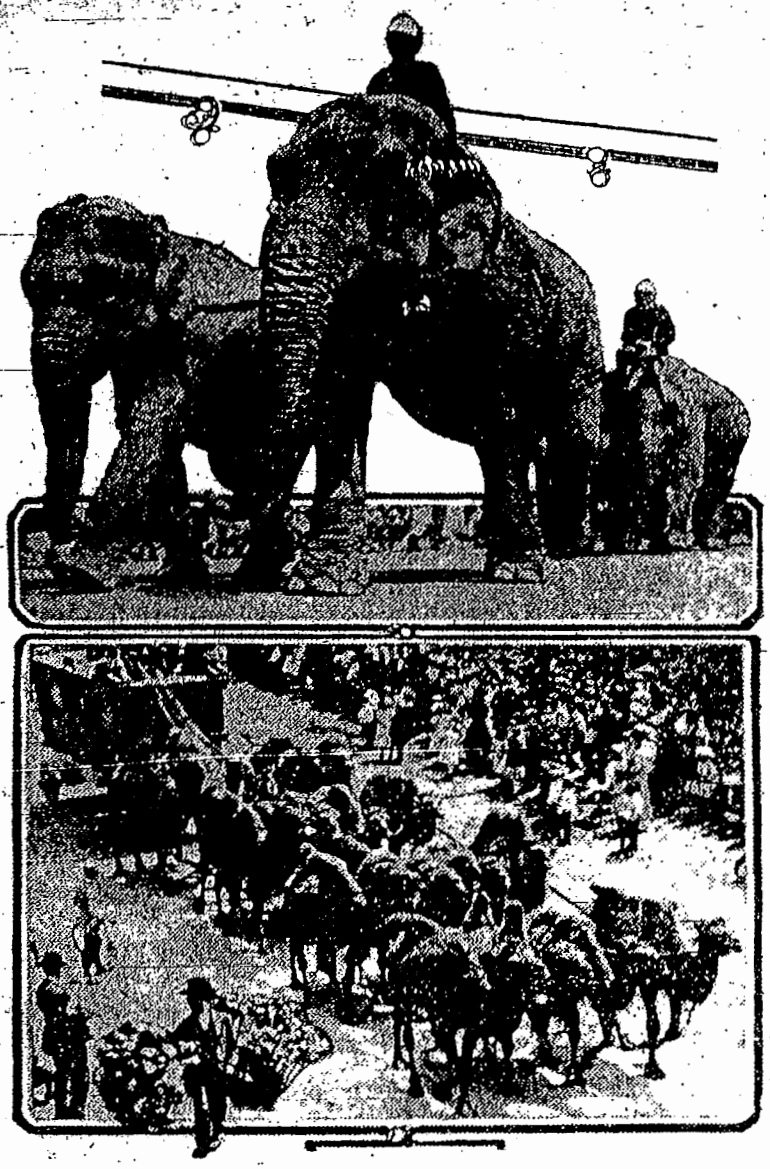

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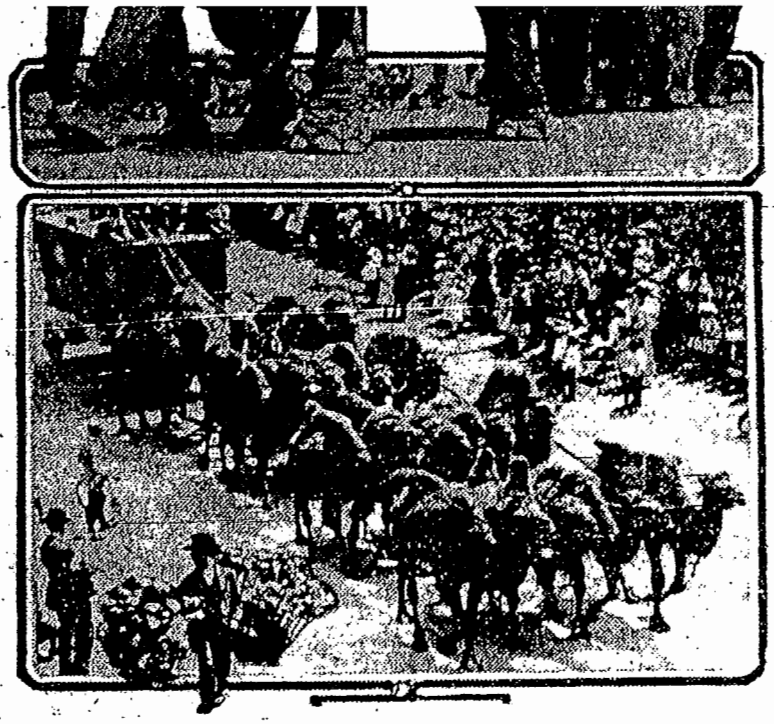
The famous girl performers are M'lle Leitzel, gymnast, and Miss Bird Millman, known as the dainty little "queen of the wire." Both are said to be the greatest performers in the world in their particular line, and both will be seen here.

The great "big top" is the largest tent ever constructed. All the famous aerialists, riders, acrobats and clowns will be seen on one program, and there will be an unusual number of animal features, including five elephant troupes, comprising what is known as a "quarter of a million pound elephant act." Five troupes of trained seals, wonderful dog and pony acts and scores of the funniest clowns on earth will be on hand to amuse the children.



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# AWARDED PRIZES AT COLORED FAIR HERE

**Number and Quality of Exhibits From Five Counties of Interest to Visiting Judge and Public.**

The Buncombe county and Western North Carolina fair, which is being held by the colored people of the section, has on display exhibits from five counties, Buncombe, Rutherfordton, Burk, McDowell, Jackson and Henderson, and the white people of the city have been invited by the management of the fair association to visit the grounds at Pearson park today and see the exhibits. There will be no charge for admittance, it is announced.

The U. S. farm makers' club agent, John D. Wray, of the Agricultural and Technical college of Greensboro, who was sent here by the state to act as judge of the exhibits, has stated the number and variety of exhibits now on display surpass those of any fair of like nature he has attended.

J. T. Bradshaw, Loge Tate, of Shiloh, and A. T. Penland, of Leicester, were awarded the prizes in the contest for the best ten ears of corn placed on exhibit, while Rutherfordton won prizes for the sweet potato, molasses and rural school exhibits. McDowell took first prize on home-made quilts, and St. Mathies representatives took the prize for the silk quilt display.

In the young cattle contest Henry Wills, of West Asheville, won second prize, and E. W. Pearson first, who also took the prize for best hogs. Henry Swinney, of Shiloh, took both first and second prizes in the pig exhibit.

Ribbons will be pinned on the remaining articles Monday, it was announced last night.

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# NEGROES FORM POST OF AMERICAN LEGION

**One of First Posts for Negro Veterans in State—Named in Honor of John Boyd.**

Asheville negroes who took part in the world war met last night at the victory culb, war camp community service building on Market street and formed one of the first posts for negro soldiers of the American legion, in this state. The post was named the John Boyd post, American legion, in honor of the only Asheville negro who was killed in battle. Two other Asheville negroes died while in the service, but from disease.

The following officers were elected for the new post; John D. Miller, commander; H. H. Hamilton, vice-commander; R. H. Hendrick, adjutant; B. J. Jackson, jr., finance officer; H. T. Toles, historian; Fitzhugh Woodford chaplain.

The post started off with a large membership and the officers plan to get every negro soldier in Asheville and Buncombe county to join. Regular meetings will be held and the post will ask for membership in the national organization at once.

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# COLORED CITIZENS PLAN CELEBRATION

## FOR ARMISTICE DAY—ARRANGE THE PROGRAM.

### Will Hold Memorial Exercises and Give Returned Soldiers a Special Dinner at Y. M. I.

A number of negroes, prominent as leaders of their race in the city, met yesterday at the call of Mayor Roberts and decided to holding armistice day memorial services for negro soldiers.

It was decided that a program would be immediately arranged, and that every negro soldier would be given a dinner either at the Y. M. I., or some suitable place. It was arranged for the roll of honor of the negro soldiers to be read sometime during a memorial service which will begin exactly simultaneously with the memorial exercises at the city auditorium.

Leaders of the race who met with Mayor Roberts yesterday were enthusiastic over the tentative program, which was gone over with the mayor, and said without question the people of their race would fittingly observe the day and make the first anniversary a memorial day of unprecedented significance in Asheville.

Committees were appointed to attend to the program details at an early date. There will be a principal address, speeches by local men, reading of the roll of honor and other features.

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THE ASHEVILLE TIMES

# WEST ASHEVILLE BUILDING BOOM NOW IN FULL SWING

## Citizens Believe Growth Comes From Putting Up Buildings

## NEW GARAGE TO OPEN

## First of New Business Houses Will Open Doors Monday as Mardis Motor Company

Convinced that West Asheville will grow only when the business men and residents of that section of the city make it grow, certain citizens have already begun a building campaign that bids fair to mark a most pronounced progressive step in the region west of the French Broad river.

Building operations are to be seen on every hand, but most noticeably on the business district on Main street near the postoffice square. Fronting on Haywood road, a new brick garage has just been completed, the property of M. L. Maney, Dr. A. E. Brown and G. D. Carter. This building, 38 feet wide and 138 feet deep, has a capacity for storing 25 automobiles, with a storeroom and machine shop in the rear. Entrance may be gained both from Haywood road and from the side leading out upon Michigan avenue. In the rear, facing upon Waynesville avenue, a large washroom has been installed with every facility to handle cars in a rapid and efficient manner.

J. S. Mardis, formerly of Kentucky, has secured the garage from the owners on a long-term lease and will open his doors Monday, under the title of the Mardis Motor company. He has also secured the new store room adjoining the garage on the west, and expects to handle a business proposition in this space, having 25 feet frontage on Haywood road and a depth of 64 feet. If his plans are successful, he expects to handle the agency for a certain automobile, and may make use of this space for show rooms and accessories in future.

A. E. Brown and G. D. Carter are also erecting in the same block a large two-story brick store and office building, with a frontage on Main street of 75 feet and a depth of about 110 feet, running through to Waynesville avenue. J. E. Joyner, the contractor in charge, states that he expects to complete the building in about three and a half months. The ground has been cleared and a portion of the brick pillars are now in place.

This large building will be divided on the ground floor into three separate stores, two of which have already been secured by business firms. The West Asheville Hardware store, fronting on the postoffice square, has obtained a lease on one of the new store buildings, the erection of which will bring it in connection with the site now occupied by the hardware firm, enabling them to join these stores so as to give a very large floor space with four entrances. The new store will be under the management of F. A. Gudger, now in charge of the present hardware establishment. Another of the three ground divisions of the new structure will probably be occupied by an automobile paint shop. The second story of the building, when complete, will contain a large number of rooms and offices.

New residences are springing up on every side. J. A. Banks is erecting a new house on Haywood road, not far from the postoffice. V. Lanning has started to build a house on Michigan avenue. The Rev. A. E. Belk, pastor of the Wesleyan Methodist church, is preparing to build a six-room house with every modern convenience just off Haywood road, also near the postoffice. H. A. Wells, the contractor, is now constructing an extensive addition to his home. Mr. Douglas, formerly of Florida, is building a seven-room house on Beverly road. The Rev. Robert Self, an evangelist, is just about ready to put up a six-room bungalow on Second avenue.

In addition to this wave of building now actively surging in West Asheville, a number of the citizens have signified their intention to commence in the spring an even more energetic campaign. Among these may be mentioned H. A. Wells, planning to erect five or six new dwelling houses on Haywood road; M. L. Maney, who expects to put up a large brick business building on the same street; H. D. Baker, who has stated his intention to erect a large garage on the main thoroughfare.

Rumor has it, moreover, that in the near future a movie house, long needed in that portion of the city, will be built in West Asheville. A number of citizens have already discussed tentative plans for such an enterprise, and it seems as if the project were assured in the near future.

**Asheville Times November 1919**

# WILL OPEN HOSPITAL AT THE HIGH SCHOOL

## A FEW PATIENTS MAY BE RE-

### War Department Will Probably Furnish Beds From Azalea—Volunteers Need at Food Station.

After considering a number of locations, the Red Cross influenza committee and the city authorities yesterday decided to open an emergency hospital in the high school building, corner of Broadway and Woodfin street. By noon today one or more wards are expected to be fitted up, ready for patients. The capacity of the building is about 100.

A reply from the war department to the committee's request for use of beds from the army hospital at Azalea is expected this morning. Major Hoagland, commandant at Azalea, who transmitted the request, had received no reply last night, but he felt certain that the beds and furnishings to go with them, will be lent to the city for use during the epidemic.

On recommendation of their physicians, patients will be given accommodations at the emergency hospital. Those who are able to pay for their treatment and desire their own physicians will be admitted under the rules of the institution; free patients will be treated by the hospital staff. Today Dr. S. Westray Battle and Dr. Carl V. Reynolds will name a volunteer medical staff for the hospital.

Mrs. E. F. Wilson, a registered nurse, will be superintendent of the hospital; Miss Sue Robbins will be dietician and Mrs. D. C. Waddell will have charge of the purchase of supplies. The Red Cross committee will have general charge of the hospital.

The kitchen at the high school will be used to prepare meals for patients; the nurses will take their meals at the Masonic temple.

Mrs. Rachel Hanaman, in charge of the emergency food station at the Masonic temple, is in need of more volunteer assistants, the committee stated last night, and today those who wish to enroll for this service are asked to register at the temple. The scope of the work carried on at this food station is seen from the report of the number of meals served there this week, as follows: Monday, 88; Tuesday, 110; Wednesday, 150; Thursday, [illegible]; Friday, 180; a total of [illegible] meals up to last night. In addition, about 100 meals a day have been served at the Elk Mountain branch station.

With no appreciable decrease in the number of new cases each day, the food committee faces a heavy task and those who are qualified to aid them are urged to do so.

One hundred and sixty-four new influenza cases were reported to the health department by eighteen doctors yesterday; the report for Thursday was 151. The total number of cases since the epidemic started is approximately 2,400.

In a statement made this week on methods of treatment for influenza and pneumonia, the state board of health emphasized the importance of sunshine and fresh air. If this city has been unfortunate in having an epidemic at all, it has been highly favored in the matter of weather since the disease made its appearance here. The days have been typical Indian summer days, the kind that poets are accustomed to write about. With the same lavishness she has shown toward Asheville in other autumn seasons when the population was freer to enjoy the season, October has made a record this year for sunshine and absence of rain. Frosty mornings and days of [illegible] sun have helped those tortured patients to find their way back to health. Many patients have received open air treatment, and it is said that without walls to keep the air from free contact with the sick temperature has in some cases fallen in a remarkable fashion.

So far, the weather bureau records only fourteen-sixteenths of an inch of rain for this month; and while damp days would probably cause an increase in the number of colds and pneumonia, a good rain might cleanse the atmosphere, say the doctors, and lay some germ-laden dust.

**Asheville Citizen October 19, 1918**

# EIGHT GOOD ROAD PROJECTS ARE NOW UNDER WAY IN BUNCOMBE COUNTY

## The Present Tax Rate of 20 Cents for Road Will Hardly Maintain the Roads and Bridges Now Built and County May Have to Sell Bonds.

Eight good roads projects are now under way in the county, and while the present tax rate of twenty cents will hardly maintain the roads and bridges already constructed, the public clamors for more improved roads, the county road commissioner stated yesterday.

It is only a question of time until a bond issue that will raise between $500,000 and $700,000 for highways will be a necessity, said a county official yesterday. He enumerated a number of projects that citizens in various sections of the county are clamoring for and stated that while this year as many roads as possible are being improved and built, many others are badly needed. The county official also stated that building highways during the present time of inflated prices on all commodities and the high wages demanded by labor is indeed an expensive proposition.

Probably of all the roads in the county the one most in need of improvements is the one from Asheville to Hominy this road is reported to be in very bad condition as it is an old worn macadam. The Federal and state aid has been secured and a two-inch tarvia surface will be put on it so soon as the state makes it possible for the local board to advertise for bids. Commissioner Israel stated yesterday that he had received more complaints about the condition of this road than of any other highway in the county. It is expected that bids for the improvements on this road will be advertised for within a very short time.

Bridge and construction work on the link between Skyland and the Pelzer place, beyond Long Shoal's bridge, has been started. This strip of road traversing a good section of the county will be macadamized according to the specifications of the county road commissioner. On account of labor shortage work on this section has been a little retarded but it is expected that it will be pushed from now on.

The seven mile road from Biltmore to Fairview which for the last four months has been in charge of the Asheville Paving company, will today have a new top of asphalt over the entire distance, and will offer to the public an excellent highway. The surfacing of this road has required about four months time during which over 80,000 square yards of asphalt has been laid.

Work on the highway from West Asheville to Sandy Bottoms, a distance of five miles, is being pushed, and the road commissioner expects that this lap will be completed at an early date.

The five and a half miles between Waldrop's store and the store of Frank Wells in Sandy Mush township, will be macadamized. This section is in need of a good highway and the construction of this road will fill a long felt need.

The state highway commission is to pay half the cost of the work that is now under way on the Asheville-Black Mountain highway, and the county will pay the other half and bear all damage to property owners, it was stated yesterday. A steam shovel is expected to be put on this road in order that the work may be expedited and as much as possible done before severe weather sets in.

Work on the road between Statesville and Democrat, a distance of five miles, and for which a contract was awarded recently is to be pushed to completion as rapidly as possible.

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# 5,079 CHILDREN IN THE CITY SCHOOLS

## HIGH SCHOOL LEADS WITH 969 STUDENTS.

### Park Avenue Shows Largest Percentage of Attendance of Any of the White Schools.

The enrollment and percentage figures for the city schools for October, as compiled by Superintendent Weber, show that the high school has a total enrollment of 969, the largest ever attending any one public school in the city, the official states. West Asheville is second with a total enrollment of 719 and Orange has 707 children. Murray has the smallest enrollment of any school, the enrollment for last month being 271. Park avenue showed the largest percentage of attendance for the past month for white schools, the attendance being 97.8 of the enrollment, and Mt. street for colored children, the percentage being 99.1.

Supt. Weber's figures show a total enrollment last month of 5,078, this being the high record for the first month of the schools. The Asheville schools usually pickup some during the second and third months and it is believed that the enrollment for the remainder of the year will be much larger than the figures for last month show.

The schools, percentage of attendance and enrollment follow:

| School— | Percentage | Enrollment. |
|---|---|---|
| Park Avenue | 97.8 | 455 |
| Murray | 97.2 | 271 |
| Orange | 96.9 | 707 |
| Montford | 96.3 | 536 |
| Ashland | 96 | 377 |
| West Asheville | 94.8 | 719 |
| High | | 969 |
| **Colored Schools** | | |
| Catholic Hill | 97 | 377 |
| Hill Street | 97.5 | 418 |
| Buffalo Street | 95.1 | 86 |
| Mountain Street | 99.1 | 69 |

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# AUTO RACING DOWN HILL LANDS ON HOUSE

**S. F. Walker's Machine Jumped Street Curbing and Lodged on Cottage.**

S. F. Walker of Tremont park, West Asheville, is thinking of entering his big five passenger car in the next exhibit for freaks that is held, for yesterday, while he had gone in his home, his machine backed down a hill in West Asheville and lodged on top of a four-room cottage. It was necessary to use a derrick to get the machine down.

Mr. Walker drove up to his home, put on his brake, as he thought, and went in the house to take some medicine. Just as he entered the door some one yelled and looking back he saw the machine racing down the hill, going from Tremont park to Waynesville avenue. Leaving the street it jumped on top of the small house and lodged there. Several men worked two or three hours yesterday afternoon in an effort to get the machine down and only succeeded when a derrick was used.

The machine was damaged very little. The police arrested Mr. Walker on charges of leaving his machine standing on the sidewalk without one of the wheels being against the curb.

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# SPLENDID PROGRAM FOR COLORED SOLDIERS

**Colored Citizens Will Hold Meeting on Armistice Day at Y. M. I. at 11 O'Clock in Morning.**

Plans have been completed by the colored citizens of the city for the big armistice day celebration to be held by them on Tuesday, November 11 at 11 o'clock. The celebration will be held at the Y. M. I. and Dr. J. W. Walker will be the master of ceremonies.

Refreshments will be served free to all colored soldiers and every negro soldier in the city and county will be given a hearty welcome at the meeting.

The program is as follows:

Singing—Audience.
Prayer—Rev. Kennedy.
Singing—Audience.
Honor Roll—N. Martin.
Taps—A soldier.
Awarding of medals from county committee from Y. W. C. A., W. C. C. S. and Red Cross.
American Legion—John Miller.
Singing—Audience.
Address of the Day—Dr. L. O. Miller.
Response—Lieut. Robert M. Hendrick.
Singing and work of committees from Y. W. C. A., Red Cross and W. C. C. S.

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# WINNERS ANNOUNCED IN AUTOMOBILE CONTEST

## Prizes Will Be Mailed Out From The Citizen Offices Today.

The prizes for The Citizen's preference contest announced in the auto section a week ago have been selected and out of the many words the following appear to be the best. In addition to the $3 in money each winning contestant is entitled to a ride in the car of their choice at such time that suits the dealer and contestant.

The prizes will be mailed out Monday.

For the Studebaker Mrs. M. D. Coburn, of Route 6, Hendersonville, was the winner. Her reasons for preferring the Studebaker were: "Of all makes of automobiles composed, a wheel, I would consider the Studebaker the hub." This aptly brings the well-known wheel trade-mark of the Studebaker to mind.

For the Cadillac Mrs. William J. McCanless, of 114 Montford avenue, city, spoke from experience. She said: "Last winter motoring to Florida in our Cadillac we never had a break-down or any engine trouble, neither were we passed by any car on the way, though our car had been driven to New York the week before." She won this award.

For the little Briscoe Elmer D. Blake, of 391 Biltmore avenue, city, said a lot when he declared that "they coat light but go strong."

The Overland award was captured by W. L. Foster, of 16 Hillside, city. He says: "It is easy riding, easy running, uses little gas and oil. My Overland has been used two years without repairs."

Donald Gillis, of 134 Montford avenue, city, prefers the Kissel because "It performs as good as it looks. Judging from the new models it will have to do some performing to live to that boast. He wins that award.

The Essex was hard for most of the contestants to praise in few words. Mrs. Edith Cowan, of 17 Girdwood street, city, writes her reasons for preferring it as follows: "Its reliability of manufacture, design and motor construction insure performance, comfort and economy of operation." She was awarded this prize.

The Franklin admirers were all enthusiastic about its economy. The award for this car was given to Mrs. H. J. English, of West Asheville, who prefers the Franklin because: "Looks expensive, yet it is reasonably priced, runs so smooth you are at perfect ease in driving—and there is no danger of your Franklin freezing up in cold weather."

R. N. Harbin, of the Asheville Welding company, likes the Westcott, a comparative new-comer on the Asheville market, yet is coming strong. He says: "I like the Westcott because it does better than it looks. It is handsome and does handsome."

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# COLORED CITIZENS TO OBSERVE TODAY

**Memorial Services Will Be Conducted at the Y. M. I. Promptly at 11 O'Clock This Morning.**

Members of the John Boyd post, American legion, will meet at the Victory club, this morning at 10:30 o'clock, and in a body will take part in the armistice day celebration held by the colored people of this city.

The meorial services for colored soldiers from this county, will be held at the Y. M. I., at 11 o'clock, and Dr. L. O. Miller, will deliver the principal address. The roll of honor will be read and patriotic songs occupy a prominent place on the program.

Refreshments will be served every ex-soldier and all colored men and boys who saw service during the war, either in camp or on the battlefield, are asked to attend the services today.

It was stated last night that preparations for the reception of 200 ex-service men have been made, and that lunches for that many had been prepared.

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# GREAT BUILDING ACTIVITY IN ALL SECTIONS OF ASHEVILLE NOW

## Buildings Being Erected and Others Planned Call for the Expenditure of Hundreds of Thousands of Dollars —Business Houses and Residences Being Built.

### In West Asheville

The building program is also being carried out in West Asheville to a large extent, with new business houses and residences going up on every side, building activity being greater there today perhaps than at any other time in the history of that section of Greater Asheville. M. L. Maney, C. D. Carter and Dr. E. A. Brown have just completed a new garage on Haywood road, 38 feet wide and 138 feet deep, which they have leased to J. S. Mardis of Kentucky, who will conduct the Mardis Motor company; and Dr. Brown and Mr. Carter are also erecting on the same block a large two-story brick and office building, fronting 75 feet with a depth of 110 feet. On the ground floor will be three large store rooms and on the second floor offices.

J. A. Banks is building a new residence on Haywood road; V. Canning has started a new residence on Michigan avenue; Rev. A. D. Belk, pastor of the Wesleyan Methodist church is ready to start a six-room residence just off Haywood road, near the post-office; H. A. Wells is completing a large addition to his handsome residence and he is planning the erection of five or six dwellings on Haywood road; a seven-room residence is being erected on Beverly road by a Mr. Douglas of Florida; Rev. Robert Self is ready to start the erection of a six-room house on Second avenue.

It is understood that H. B. Baker is planning to erect a large garage in West Asheville and M. L. Maney will put up a business house at an early date.

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# COMMUNITY SCHOOLS FOR ADULTS NOW IN OPERATION IN THE CITY

The weekly schedule for the five free community schools for adults is as follows:

Monday—Park Hill.

Tuesday—Asheland, West Asheville, Hill Street and Catholic Hill.

Thursday—Park Hill, Catholic Hill and Hill Street.

Friday—West Asheville and Asheland.

The hours are from 7:30 to 9:30 p. m., and each pupil is asked to bring pencil and tablet.

These schools are organized by the state and city for all people over 14 years old, who in some way missed their chance when they were younger and wish now to learn to write and read home and business letters, to read the Bible and the newspapers, to spell the words that come up in every day life, and to learn arithmetic through division and simple work in fractions.

No one need hesitate to come for fear of being alone in his work for there are some pupils who are beginning at the first, some who can read but not write, some who can write but not read, others who can do both but do not know arithmetic and spelling.

These schools are planned as an economic as well as an altruistic measure and the results will be felt in the next generation as well as in this.

Four young men, from 24 to 28 years old, who had never worked an example in subtraction, mastered the process in one evening, winding up the lesson by finding the correct remainder in this example:

60,101
27,382

A young man, who in a few weeks will receive his license to preach, says he has learned everything he knows about reading, writing, arithmetic and spelling in two night schools,—the one held in his neighborhood last year and the five sessions of this one. He says he will go on in this school till he knows enough to enter the more advanced night schools when the city can begin them. He probably would have had his license to preach in any case, but he feels that by reading and knowing more he can be of much more force.

Several other pupils have said they want to do this work in preparation for the more advanced schools later on.

One mother wants to come because her boy, who is in high school, "would be so proud if she knew more."

A father says his kid thinks Dad knows everything now and he wants to be able to help him when he goes to school.

One pupil of 62—she is "grandma" to the school—is making fine progress in writing which she says she is "bent on knowing how to do."

Think of how much it means in happiness and comfort to a whole family—especially grandmother and grandfather themselves—if they can write and read their own letters and read their Bibles whenever they feel like it, without having to wait till some busy person has time to stop. And let no one say, "I'm too old to learn," because all of the grandmothers are doing good work.

One pretty young woman said, "I'm ashamed to go, because I'd be the greenest one there." Her friend, who was washing clothes in the tub next hers, immediately said, "Well, which would you rather be, ashamed for three or four nights now till you get started, or all the rest of your life? I'm going." A third, whose little boys were playing around the steps said, "I can't let a little thing like being ashamed stop me, because I want it more for my children than for myself." And so many have said just that, "I want it more for my children's sake than for myself."

Things like these make the work seem worth while, even, if, in the nature of things, it can not be hurried.

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# ASHEVILLE WILL BENEFIT GREATLY BY OPENING OF DIXIE HIGHWAY

## V. D. L. Robinson Secretary of Dixie Highway Association With National Headquarters at Chattanooga in City.

### Great Artery of Travel Will Open Next Year.

Asheville, with her wonderful and varied scenic attractions, will benefit to a greater extent than any other city on the Dixie highway, with the opening of the eastern division of that great artery of travel from Detroit to Asheville, and on to Florida during 1920, in the assertion of V. D. Robinson, secretary of the Dixie Highway association, with national headquarters in Chattanooga, who was in the city yesterday conferring with N. Buckner, director of the association for North Carolina, and secretary of the Asheville Board of Trade. Mr. Robinson confirmed the good news that the eastern division between Cincinnati and Knoxville, and the Carolina division, from Knoxville to Asheville, will be in good, travelable condition by the summer of 1920, and a highway all the year by fall. This, he stated, would open the flood gates of automobile tourist travel from the north into Asheville, to an extent which even the most optimistic road enthusiast would hardly dare to expect. Since the highway was first projected thousands of tourist inquiries have been received from motorists wanting to know when they could make this trip in comfort. It is only going to be necessary to tell them that they can come to start the motorists south, summer, fall, winter or spring into the "Land of the Sky," stated Mr. Robinson.

"Prior to the fall rains, which made the new grades through the mountains of eastern Kentucky impassable, this route was the best south," said Mr. Robinson. The highway is in all-year-round condition as far south as Berea, Ky. The early summer will see the few remaining miles of surfacing completed on to Mt. Vernon. The same is true of the road to Livingston. From this point to the Rockcastle river the new grade of seven miles, which will eliminate the crossing of Gauley mountain, has been completed. The grading and a large part of the surfacing from the Rockcastle river to Corbin via London has been completed, and the surfacing will be finished during 1920. The last bridge in Whitley county, between Corbin and Jellico (the Tennessee line), was completed a few weeks ago, eliminating a difficult detour.

Through the assistance of the association an agreement was made with the Kentucky highway department for the widening of the completed highway, the grading of three miles and the remainder of the surfacing. All of the money is provided and the surveys completed, preparatory to work in the early spring. The highway from Jellico to Knoxville is now available for travel all the year, but the state highway department of Tennessee has provided $200,000 of federal and state funds which, with a like amount of county funds, will widen the beautiful road through the mountains and surface it with asphalt macadam. The surveys for this have been completed. The Dixie highway, through the mountains from Berea to Knoxville, will not only be completed, but will be built on approved government specifications.

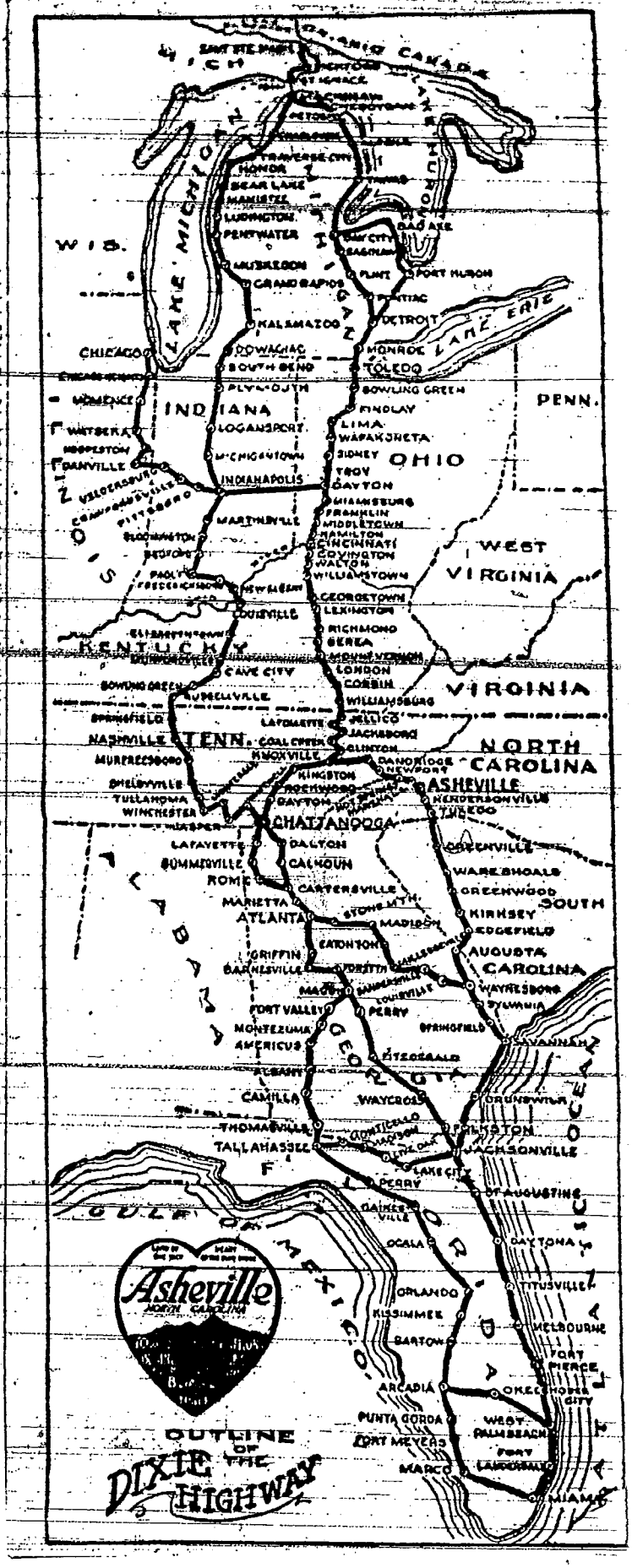
**Funds Provided.**

The funds have all been provided for the federal and state aid project in Cooke county, Tenn., which will complete the last gap in the road between Knoxville and Asheville. The surveys have been completed and everything is being put in readiness to proceed with this construction as early in the year as possible.

"The possibilities of the Dixie highway in bringing thousands of motorists to Asheville from the north are tremendous," said Mr. Robinson. "Asheville is on the map of the nation as one of the chief points of attraction, due to the aggressive advertising campaign which the Asheville Board of Trade has waged. The Dixie highway will be the medium of getting them here. For a short summer vacation for the residents of the northern central states, there is certainly nothing more attractive than a trip to Asheville by motor. It is largely through the mountains all the way. The completion of the road from Knoxville to Asheville will offer a pleasing vacation trip for the residents of Kentucky, Tennessee, Alabama, Georgia and North Carolina, around the circle of the cities of Chattanooga, Knoxville, Asheville, Greenville and Atlanta. The Dixie Highway association started the tourists on this circle tour last summer in a small way. The reports of the delights encountered on a week or ten-day trip indicated the popularity of this tour, once all of the links are completed. The association is planning to advertise this tour on a large scale in 1920. From five years' observation of tourist travel, and what the motorists want in the way of routes, there is no new line of railroad or any other highway which could possibly bring the returns to Asheville all the year round than the Dixie highway, opening the way from the north," Mr. Robinson said.

In connection with the progress being made in Kentucky and Tennessee, Guy V. Roberts, of Marshall, who was in Asheville yesterday, told Secretary Buckner, of the board of trade, that the survey of the one-mile link of road from Walnut Gap to Laurel river, in Madison county, had about been completed by the state highway commission, and that this short section of bad road in the Dixie highway would be built and ready for the season of 1920's tourist travel.

Mr. Roberts was enthusiastic about the possibilities of travel from the west into Asheville and south, when the eastern branch of the highway was completed, and said that a large garage was now being erected in Marshall to take care of the needs of the increasing travel now passing through that place, both ways. Mr. Roberts was of the belief that this outlet to the west was by far the most important highway to western North Carolina.



# LOCAL CONCERN GETS CONTRACT FOR ROAD

## Work Is Delayed Though on Account of Coal Shortage

While no official information had been received at the state highway commission's office in Asheville, it is understood that the contract for grading on the Asheville-Hominy highway has been awarded Allport and Alexander, and the contract for paving went to the Asheville Paving company.

On account of the present coal shortage the asphalt surface cannot be laid, therefore work on this project will not start until the contractors can secure coal, but will be started as quick as possible after coal is received. The macadam base is to be five inches in depth and the surface of asphalt will be two inches, making an excellent highway.

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# MAYOR WANTS USE OF WOOD PERMITTED

**Wires Coal Committee at Atlanta. No Answer From Message at Late Hour Last Night.**

Mayor Roberts yesterday protested to the Regional Coal committee for the south, at Atlanta, asking that the use of wood, which is now prohibited in Asheville, for heating purposes in stores and places of business, before and after 9 a. m. and 4 p. m., be permitted. At a late hour last night no answer had been received by the city's chief executive.

His telegram to the committee follows:

"In placing wood on the list of fuels from which heat cannot be used before 9 o'clock a. m. and after 4 o'clock p. m., is, in my opinion, unnecessary and unreasonable, and should be immediately lifted. It is working a great hardship upon the people here."

The committee in Atlanta has issued the following statement, which has not been given publicity here:

"Public and private utilities are depended upon by the committee to give to the mayor or other chief officer of communities served by them, full information concerning the character of power generated by their own plants or purchased directly or indirectly from other plants.

"It is recognized that this modification will make enforcement of the general program of conservation difficult and for that reason the committee asks the loyal co-operation of consumers who may be affected by the modification and of the public generally."

Asheville will be compelled to continue a strict observance of the ruling of the committee until such a time as the French Broad river is of sufficient height to permit the plant of the North Carolina Electrical Power company, which furnishes power to the Asheville Power and Light company, can operate its plant entirely with water, and not partly with coal.

By using coal part of the time to operate the steam auxiliary plant, the local company is placed in the same class as though every hour of the operation was with coal, the committee in Atlanta ruled.

Asheville Citizen December 7, 1919

# MOONSHINE LIQUOR SOARING IN PRICE

**Christmas Holidays Cause Illicit Still Operators to Advance Prices Helping the Operators.**

With cold weather slackening production and the coming Christmas increasing the demand, "moonshine" liquor is soaring in price and profiteers are preparing to reap a harvest of cash. Dealers have been selling their wet goods as fast as they receive them now have but small stocks on hand and have ceased quoting price by the gallon. They are limiting deliveries to any one person and allotting each patron one quart only in order that every one may have a little and none much. The price has gone from $20 a gallon to $10 a quart.

And still higher prices are in prospect soon. The "principal dealer" here is reported to have accumulated a stock for some weeks with the intention of selling it Christmas at $15 a quart, which sounds very high to those who once were able to buy all they wanted of the best grade of "moonshine" at 50 cents a quart.

Cold weather is helping the profiteers. People generally do not know that winter does about as much to curtail the making of illicit whiskey as the officers, but such is the fact. The "mash" of meal must ferment before it can be distilled and cold stops fermentation. In a heated place fermentation will go on regardless of the cold weather, but the "blockader" operating in the open can have no heated place. His mash is in a barrel, exposed to the changes in temperture and when a frosty night comes fermentation is stopped and often yeast germ is killed and the mash is spoiled for good.

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# YOUNG BOY MISSING SINCE EARLY SATURDAY

**Whether Raymond McFallin Has Met With Foul Play Still Speculative. No Trace of the Boy.**

Raymond McFallin, a 14-year old boy and brother-in-law to E. W. Collins, 113 Westwood place, failed to return home Sunday morning from the depot where he works at night, and whether the lad has met with foul play, or whether he has run away from his home, is a matter of speculation. Efforts Sunday and all day yesterday failed to reveal any trace of his whereabouts.

The last time he was seen was Sunday morning about 10:30 o'clock at Brown's crossing, and no trace of where he went from there has been found.

He wore light riding pants, leather leggins, a brown coat and black cap, when he left the station Sunday morning. The boy has black hair and weighs about 105 pounds. Any person knowing anything about where the boy has gone and whether he has been abducted are asked to communicate with police headquarters or E. W. Collins, 113 Westwood place.